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Then came the attempt at revolution at Modena and in the Romagna, when the sons of Louis Bonaparte, at the head of the in-surgents, proclaimed the suspension of the temporal power of the Pope. The insurrection in Italy failed on this occasion through Austrian intervention, but "coming events had cast their shadow before them." Two French frigates were reported to have anchored in the harbour of Civita Vecchia, while a French expedition landed at Ancona; and, although the French Government disowned the expedition, Prince Metternich was of opinion that facts had become more important than diplomatic phrases. Then came the abortive enterprise of the Duchess of Berry on the South coast of France, which showed that, although the spirit of revolution was everywhere rife, there was a want of com-bustible matter to sustain the flames. The death of the Duke of Reichstadt soon followed these events, whereupon the youthful Louis Bonaparte considered himself called upon to announce that he had inherited the succession. When Cadmus, according to the Theban legend, sowed the teeth of the Dragon, armed men sprang up at once, who destroyed one another. But the revolution was content to bide its time in Italy. It sowed its dragon's teeth in the Peninsula, while Prince Metternich was in power. It was not, however, until he had resigned the reins of government, that the armed men sprang effectively to their feet.

The occupation of Ancona by the French in 1832 was the first blow to the temporal power of the Papacy. The Prince endeavoured in vain to discover a principle of stability, which might secure the sovereignty of the Holy See over the Legations; but in his conficontinued day by day until a short time dential letter to Count Lutzow of June 29, Lafayette. This conversation well merits before her death in 1853, this diary occupies 1832, he admits to the ambassador that the perusal, as it contains Louis-Philippe's own

most insuperable difficulty of all was connected with the fact, that the Papal government had no idea how to govern, while the moral and political independence of the Court of Rome was at the same time threatened by the antagonistic claims of France. Then came the June rising in Paris, which Louis-Philippe succeeded in putting down by an act of energy on his part, which caused the majority of the French people, including the capital, to support his authority. Meanwhile, the colours black, red, and gold had been unfurled for the first time as the badge of the German nation at the Castle of Hambach, in Rhenish Bavaria; while the German Republicans in Paris had celebrated the day of the Hambach festival by a great banquet, held in the Bois de Vincennes under the presidency of Gen. Lafayette.

The Memoirs touch upon all these varied conflicts between the old and the new forms of government, in the midst of which many ancient thrones fell or were imperilled through mistakes of administration. New kingdoms had meanwhile been created by the concert of the European Powers. The youthful Prince Otho of Bavaria had been called upon to ascend the throne of Greece, which had recently been established by the combined action of the Courts of England, France, and Russia. The choice, if we remember rightly, rested at the last moment between Prince Otho of Bavaria and Prince Paul of Würtemberg, and the three Powers chose the immature youth, who was still in his teens, in preference to the vigorous man. This was considered by many persons at the time to have been an error of judgment on the part of the three Powers, and the result proved it to be so; but the Powers had undergone a rebuff from Prince Leopold of Saxe-Coburg, who had rejected the Hellenic crown, after he had accepted it, on the ground that the territory of the proposed kingdom ought to receive an extension nearly identical with that granted under the Treaty of Berlin. A still more striking instance of Prince Leopold's sagacity was soon afterwards shown, when he accepted the Belgian crown in the full assurance that he was invited to reign over a people whose spirit was not revolutionary, although it had revolted against the maladministration of the Dutch Government. Meanwhile, a conflict of authority had arisen between the Viceroy of Egypt and the Sultan, and a novel phase of the Eastern Question had been inaugurated by the revolt of Mehemet Ali. A confidential letter of Prince Metternich to Baron Prokesch-Osten, of January 23, 1833, deserves to be studied in the present day, at a moment when a miniature revolt against the Sultan's sovereignty may be at hand in Egypt.

The year had not concluded when we find the ball of revolution tossed back to Spain, where, for a time, the Iberian peninsula became its head-quarters. The perplexity of Louis-Philippe as to what policy he should pursue towards Spain gave rise to a most interesting conversation between the King and Prince Esterhazy at Neuilly on May 23, 1834, the day after the funeral of justification of himself for accepting the crown to the exclusion of the Duke of Bordeaux. How little could so dark a sunset be foreseen where the morn was so bright for the Orleans family. Yet there were some far-seeing spirits who anticipated the tempest which supervened.

The Prince's Memoirs disclose on two occasions the desire of the Duke of Orleans to wed an archduchess of Austria. A confidential letter of the Prince to Count Apponyi at Paris, of February 3, 1835, makes known the

Austrian view of the project.

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The volume shortly afterwards breaks off with the death of the Emperor Francis, whom the Prince had served so long and so faithfully, and whose last words commended the Prince to his son and successor as his truest servant and friend. The death of the Emperor suspended the contemplated visit of the Duke of Orleans to Vienna, the result of which is accordingly not disclosed in the present volume by the Prince's pen. We will, however, complete the narrative on the authority of a conversation with the Prince himself. The Duke came to Vienna and consulted Prince Metternich, who gently endeavoured to dissuade him from pressing his suit; but the Duke persevered. The reply of the Archduchess was kind and considerate, but decisive. "To yourself, Duke, personally, I can take no exception "—we quote the purport of her answer, not the words—" and if only personal considerations were involved in your suit, my answer to it might be favourable; but, if I were to become your spouse, I could never lay my head upon my pillow without the fear of waking up and finding the Revolution at our door." And so the projected marriage came to an end, and the Duke found an affectionate wife elsewhere, who was destined to undergo a more terrible bereavement than the Austrian Archduchess had ventured to forecast.

Our space has allowed us only to allude to the diary of the Princess Metter-The editor has supplied select extracts from time to time, and we can only liken their effect to the opportune service of the Prince's own Johannisberger wine at a banquet at the "Trois Frères." They will enliven the spirits of the reader, who might otherwise be cast down by a menu of fallen thrones and exiled dynasties. There is one charming story highly illustrative of the period. At a Court ball at Vienna, the Princess Metternich wore a kind of diamond crown, when M. St-Aulaire, the French ambassador, observed to her, "Why, Princess, your head is adorned with a crown." "Why not?" was her answer; "it belongs to me; if it were not my own

property, I should not wear it." This reply was quickly caught up, and threatened for a time to produce consequences almost as momentous as those which are said to have been caused by the spilling of a glass of water on Mrs. Masham's robe in the reign of good Queen Anne.

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Onesimus, it seems, was free-born, but exposed in his infancy, with his twin-brother, not by the will of his parents, but by the spite of a runaway slave, who was instigated by the heir (the author does not explain how it happened that the amulets which the mother gave her children were left round their necks); they were bought and adopted by a charitable lady of Lystra, who made a will in their favour, which was suppressed by her heir-atlaw. Before this happened, Onesimus had seen St. Paul as a child, and received his blessing in the name of the heavenly Father. He resented the separation from his brother (who soon died) and was thrown into an ergastulum, where a Colchian sorcerer astonishes the slaves by predicting the death of their tyrant in an earthquake which he professes to have conjured up. In fact, the tyrant is killed (not by the earthquake), and all the slaves under his roof are put to death, while those in the ergastulum are sold. Onesimus, who was well educated, was bought by Philemon, who had a good heart and a bad liver. His liver made him superstitious, and his superstition made him selfish. He neglected his promise to emancipate Onesimus, and then, when he fell in with St. Paul and was converted, he wanted Onesimus to be converted too, and crossed his love for a much more promising convert, the daughter of a poor but honest rhetorician at Athens. She dies; Onesimus is accused of stealing books, runs away and joins himself to the strolling priests of Cybele, and afterwards works his way as a buffoon to Rome, where St. Paul converts him. On a second visit

he hears the story of St. Paul's conversion on the eve of the Apostle's martyrdom. Then he goes to Britain to see Philochristus, who can give him news of his parents, and thence to Beroea and Smyrna, where he, too, is martyred before he can carry out his plan of visiting "John the Disciple of the Lord" to ascertain whether the miracles recorded for the first time in the newly written gospels ever happened.

The author seems to have had three objectsto illustrate the comparative worth of paganism and Christianity, to demonstrate anew the absolute worth of Christianity, and to explain the process by which it came to be disfigured to an uncertain extent by unhistorical accretions. His attempt to carry out the second object is a failure. He relies mainly on the fact that the first preaching of Christianity reformed many thousands of the worst characters of the empire; the first preaching of Buddhism and Islam had also excellent effects; by the middle of the second century the demand for thorough amendment of life comes upon Hermas as a new and startling revelation. His other ground is little stronger; love and trust in the personal Lord make Onesimus (when he was tired of living on his vices) a new creature, but, as the story is told, conversion did Philemon little good; it strengthened his self-control and made him meddlesome, and otherwise left him as it found him. Of course, if the only question were what religion is able to persuade a man that he is saving his soul, the conversion of Onesimus is as decisive as he supposes it to be himself; nothing else would have given him the sense of salvation that he wanted. The criticism of Judaism and Paganism is less unsatisfactory. Philemon travelled a great deal for his health to all kinds of pagan shrines first, and afterwards, being superstitious, to Antioch and Jerusalem. He took Onesimus with him, who arrived at the conclusion that neither Paganism nor Judaism was a religion for the poor, while the wholesale butchery in the Temple on great festivals disgusted what we are meant to take for his Hellenic delicacy. The visits to Greek miraculous shrines are amusing, and the influence of the wild culture of Phrygia is delicately suggested; but all this part of the work suffers a little from the writer's resolution to use the literature of the second century to illustrate ideas which he assumes to have been in the air in the first. The one evidence of this assumption is the career of Apollonius of Tyana; and, to judge by his legend, he was rather like a Pakkiçike Buddha, able to teach those who could profit by example, and unable to set forth an articulate doctrine. The most grotesque consequence of the author's mistake is that we actually find Epictetus as the mentor of Onesimus. Dr. Abbott knows perfectly well that, if Epictetus and Onesimus were contemporaries, the former must have been much the younger of the two. Now Arrian's records of his teaching date from the period of his full maturity, and excerpts from these have a very incongruous effect when put into the mouth of a lad lecturing a senior who had passed through an experience more trying than his own. The criticism of Epictetus is effective enough against his and other

forms of optimism, and not unworthy of the joint wisdom of Mr. Fitzgerald and Omar

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"For all that Epictetus had said came to this, that if we remained as a Guest [sic] at the Feast, each one was bound to act as if the Master was good, or else to depart from the Feast. But why was a philosopher bound to suppose something that might be false, or else to slay himself? For all the while there might be no Master of the Feast at all, but only a talk about Masters, and in reality neither Master nor Feast, but only a kind of scramble for sweetmeats. . . And to make believe that the Master was perfectly good and wise (and all for the purpose of attaining for oneself calmness and tranquillity of mind)—this seemed a kind of flattering of the Master and deceiving of oneself, that was scarcely worthy of a philosopher."

Philemon had an Epicurean friend who advised him to try the hot baths at home before he ran to Asklepias at Pergamus and then to Trophimus at Lebadea to explain the dream which Asklepias sent, and then, perhaps, to Delphi for an interpretation of the vision which Trophimus had vouchsafed to Onesimus. Artemidorus has a double part to play in the story; he has to represent what is known of the historical objections of Celsus to Christianity; he has also to represent Dr. Abbott's conception of the higher Positivism of the first century (the lower aspects of which are represented by Metrodorus, the namesake of the dear companion of Epicurus). The one point which Artemidorus at last fails to explain to his own satisfaction is the immense personal superiority of Christ, of which the conversion of St. Paul is the decisive instance.

The correspondence between Artemidorus and Onesimus in the third book is the vehicle for much ingenious illustration of the author's views of the gradual growth of the Christian legend. Artemidorus tells a story of the grotesque exaggerations with which he first heard of the dead man whom Philip raised to life; and then Artemidorus gets hold of the resuscitated man, and hears a story no more miraculous than that of the Archbishop of Bordeaux, who narrowly escaped premature interment in his youth. Still more brilliant is the narrative (pp. 97–99) of the successive stages by which the writer imagines the legend of the Gadarene demoniacs to have formed itself. An attempted explanation of Christ's walking upon the water is less plausible. The writer is at the pains to invent a not incredible psalm about Christ's meeting the disciple tossed upon the sea of temptation; but the explanation does not fit the legend of St. Hyacinth crossing the sea on his cloak, which rests on evidence which satisfied Card. Newman. If we are to have rationalistic explanations of legends at all, it ought to be remembered that none is convincing which does not fit all the legends of a class. So, too, though the author still adheres to his unlucky explanation that the thousands in the wilderness were only fed with the bread of heaven, he hints that our narratives are coloured by the feeding of the Israelities with manna and by Elisha's feeding the prophets and multiplying the widow's oil. It is true that if the latter story were told of a Mahometan Dervish we might conjecture that the benevolent ascetic filled the vessels with water and then set the

feeding of a hundred men with twenty loaves, and of five thousand men with five loaves and two fishes, are stories of the same kind, and, unless we can rationalise both in the same way, it is better not to rationalise either. Still weaker is the attempt to illustrate the theory of the origin of our gospels set forth in the new edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. We might, perhaps, have been willing to follow either statement of the author's reasons for thinking that nothing was written till the churches had rest from vain hopes under Vespasian. But when Onesimus, both before and after his conversion, insists upon the broad distinction between what was and what was not in "the Tradition," as if "the Tradition" (the assumed groundwork of the Synoptics alleged to be preserved in "St. Mark") were so much more certain than the additions made by one editor or another, it is impossible not to remember that now, when the habit of writing is general, fresh and authentic details about great men continue to come to light for more than fifty years after their death. G. A. SIMCOX.

Evenings with a Reviewer; or, Macaulay and Bacon. By James Spedding. With a Prefatory Notice by G. S. Venables. (Kegan Paul, Trench & Co.)

To judge from Mr. Venables' interesting Preface, it appears that these Evenings with a Reviewer, originally printed for private circulation, were prepared for publication by the author shortly before his lamented death. Whether the book will really have the effect which the editor seems to expect, it would be hazardous to decide. No doubt there are many persons who will read two volumes, though they would resolutely turn their backs on seven; yet it may be that the form of the present work will prove as repulsive to the general reader as that of the Life of Bacon. It is not necessary to adopt Mr. Venables' wild statement—that the plan of Carlyle's History of Oliver Cromwell was borrowed from the cumbrous arrangement of the Life of Bacon, which was in reality published many years after it in order to acknowledge that the close juxtaposition of text and comment is no slight assistance to the true understanding of both. Yet it is only the real student who will take advantage of this; while the mass will continue to think, in the language of the editor, that "it is the business of a literary artist, and especially of an historian, while he collects raw materials only for his own use, to supply finished products to others."

It is precisely this finished product which Spedding was unable to furnish. Evenings with a Reviewer does not give us Bacon's biography as it ought to be written. The book is composed of a series of destructive criticisms of Lord Macaulay's well-known essay, each of them leading up to the writer's own view of the transaction in question, but labouring under the defect that the very number of successful blows planted conveys a sense of weariness to the satiated reader. Even when Lord Macaulay was at the zenith of his fame, two or three such blows would have

widow to pour in oil on the top. But the feeding of a hundred men with twenty loaves, and of five thousand men with five loaves and two fishes, are stories of the same kind, and, unless we can rationalise both in the same way, it is better not to rationalise either. Still weaker is the attempt to illustrate the theory of the origin of our gospels set forth in the new edition of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*.

We might, perhaps, have been willing to been quite enough to dispose of his credit for accuracy; and no serious person now supposes that in matters relating at least to the first half of the seventeenth century he was anything more than a brilliant smatterer. Spedding kills him, and then goes on stabbing his carcass. The result is a book which anyone will be charmed to dip into, but which few indeed will care to read to the end.

Such a disappointing result opens the question why it was that Spedding did not rather give us a true biography of his hero. Is it not possible that the reason is to be found in the passage in which Mr. Venables tells us that "his study of philosophy or scientific method was, I think, confined to Bacon; and his knowledge of the details of history extended in neither direc-tion beyond the times of Elizabeth and James I."? Does not this mean that he failed to conceive the events which he recounted as parts of a great whole? And did not this failure extend farther still? Each scene of Bacon's life is treated as if it stood alone. When the work is accomplished, it is flung aside, and whatever is next in order is approached. Slight indica-tions of character are passed over because they seem unimportant in relation to each action taken by itself. The constant recurrence of such indications, which would be the very thing to strike a true biographer, is left unnoticed. At the end of the seven volumes, when the reader expects to get a picture of Bacon as a man, drawn by the hand which was most competent to portray his lineaments, he is sent away disappointed.

The qualities which prevented Spedding from being a popular biographer also prevented him from being a popular historian. He is constantly content to show that we cannot accuse men of the sixteenth or seventeenth centuries of mistakes unless we admit that many of our acts will seem as mistaken to our successors. But he hangs back from expressing a judgment on the character of those very mistakes. He throws over the judgments of feeling and of prejudice, but he has no scientific conception of history to fall back on. Yet it is precisely the craving after unity of conception which is the higher side of the popular demand for completeness of form. No doubt it is liable to be satisfied with very unfit food. Incom-plete knowledge—and all knowledge must ever be incomplete-will clothe itself in hasty generalisations. But, for all that, the aim at producing a harmony which never can be produced is the divinest note of man's imperfect intellectual nature.

Such considerations are suggested by Mr. Venables' evident disappointment that his friend's work has not been better appreciated. Of that work, within the limitations imposed upon it by human nature itself, no one can have a higher appreciation than myself. No one, I should imagine, can have had a fairer opportunity of judging its value. It happened to me to be called on to study a great part of Bacon's career before Mr. Spedding's volumes were published, and in this way to be brought into a position to estimate fully

their luminous intelligence.

SAMUEL R. GARDINER.

Schwatka's Search: Sledging in the Arctic in Quest of the Franklin Records. By William H. Gilder. (Sampson Low.)

THE narrative of Lieut. Schwatka's remarkable sledge journey in search of the Franklin records was originally published in detached letters by the New York Herald, and the main facts are already familiar to the public. The present volume is, nevertheless, a welcome addition to Arctic literature, as it brings the complete account within the reach of general readers, and resumes it in a convenient form for purposes of reference. It is also of considerable geographical interest, the party having marched over a large tract of unexplored country, and may be regarded as finally closing the sad history of the Franklin ex-

The object of the enterprise was to investigate a whaler's report that some Netchillik Esquimaux knew where the journals of the Franklin expedition were hidden; and Lieut. Schwatka, of the Third United States Cavalry, who had been active in organising a party to search for the supposed cairn, was entrusted with the chief command. His companions were Col. W. H. Gilder (the author of the narrative), Henry Klutschak (a civil engineer), Frank Melms (an experienced whaleman), and the well-known interpreter, "Esquimau The party left New York on June 19, 1878, and spent the first winter at Camp Daly, near the entrance of Chesterfield Inlet, adapting themselves to the mode of life of the Esquimaux, and making preliminary reconnoitring journeys. In the course of these journeys it was ascertained that the report of the whaler had no foundation in fact; so Lieut. Schwatka determined to make a summer search in King William Land, when the snow was off the ground, "in order to find the records, if possible, or, at any rate, to so conduct the search as to make it final and conclusive of the Franklin expedition." This project was carried out in a manner that reflects the highest credit on the whole party. The expedition left Camp Daly on April 1, 1879, with three sledges drawn by forty-two dogs, which had been collected "by hard work, persistent effort, and overpowering liberality with regard to guns, ammunition, and other articles of trade." The loads weighed about 5,000 pounds at starting, but, as they consisted largely of walrus meat, they were lightened from day to day by consumption. Their supplies of "civilised food" were only expected to last about one month, as they confidently relied on finding game, and had full faith in the quality of their arms. Fortunately, their faith proved to be well founded, or the expedition would have been impossible, and very probably disastrous. Besides the four white men, the party consisted of "Esquimau Joe" and his wife; a splendid hunter and dog-driver named Toolooah, with his wife and child; two other Inuits, or Esquimaux, with their wives and a child each; and two lads-in all, seventeen people. Passing eastward of the Hazard Hills, a precipitous range discovered by Lieut. Schwatka during his preliminary journey, they reached a branch of Back's River on May 9, and followed it for upwards of ninety miles. By that time the snow was entirely gone in many places, and the country

was so hilly and rugged that it would have been almost impossible to cross it with the heavy sledges. The estuary of Back's River was reached after nearly two months' travelling over an entirely unknown country; and, with the salt-water ice beneath them, they felt assured of reaching their destination. In an inlet west of Richardson Point they came upon a native encampment, having previously met with a small party on the Hayes River. Lieut. Schwatka collected a great deal of information from both these parties, and bought a few unimportant Franklin relics. In June, he crossed over to King William Land, and made an exhaustive search of the western shore as far as Cape Felix, the party moving like a line of skirmishers, so as to cover as much ground as possible. The summer travelling was exceedingly difficult, the dogs floundering in slush and water or scrambling over broken ice when crossing the inlets, while on shore the footing was rendered treacherous and painful by half-frozen marshes and broken, sharpedged clay stones. During the return journey in July, their difficulties were increased by dense fogs and heavy gales, and their boots and stockings were so completely worn out that "walking was torture."

Though the details of this generous effort to throw additional light on the fate of the retreating crews of the Erebus and Terror are full of melancholy interest, they do not add any positive facts of importance to the history brought to light more than twenty years ago by Sir Leopold McClintock. But Lieut. Schwatka may be considered to have finally established the loss of the Franklin records; and he also gathered a great number of relics and tokens. The bones of Lieut. Irving, which were identified by a medal found near the grave, were sent to Scotland for interment, and all the remains found were carefully

collected and reverently buried.

The homeward journey was commenced in November, and the party returned to Hudson's Bay by a route to the westward of that taken on their outward march. During the summer, the travellers had suffered much from sunburn and snow-blindness; but the privations and hardships of the winter journey were so great that only unquailing courage, resolution, and perseverance could have carried them through it in safety. The cold was so intense that, when the party was divided, the condensed breath of the dogs and people was distinctly visible at a distance of ten miles, and on every hillside the breath of the reindeer could be seen rising like clouds of steam. January was the coldest month, the mean temperature being 53.2° below zero (F.), while the lowest was 71° below zero, or 103° below freezing point. Reindeer meat was plentiful, but had to be eaten frozen, as the supply of blubber for cooking was almost exhausted; and the country began to swarm with wolves, which attacked the hunters, and killed some of the dogs. Altogether, the achievement of Lieut. Schwatka and his gallant companions is an extraordinary instance of what may be done by courage and determination, and in some respects their journey is without a parallel. They were absent from their base of supplies for eleven months and twenty days, and traversed 2,819 geographical or 3,251 statute miles, chiefly over unexplored country. They

travelled continuously throughout an exceptionally cold Arctic winter; and, after the first month or so, lived exclusively upon the same fare as the natives, thus confirming Capt. Hall's experience that white men can safely adapt themselves to the climate and life of the Esquimaux. They relied for subsistence entirely on the game to be found, and, besides musk oxen, polar bears, and seals, killed, during the journeys out and home, no less than 522 reindeer. The Esquimaux of the party gave invaluable aid, building snow huts, coating sledge-runners with ice, supplying foot gear and clothing, and enabling the expedition to hold communication with the wild tribes with whom they came in contact. Apart from the mere record of the journey, there are some very interesting chapters on the manners and customs of the Esquimaux; and the Appendix contains a glossary of words in general use between the natives and traders in Hudson's Bay and Cumberland Sound. The outward and homeward routes are shown on three small maps, but would perhaps have been more easily followed on one larger one. The book is thoroughly readable, and has the merit of describing in a simple, manly way many adventures which might easily have been made to assume a sensational character.

In an excellent summary of the journey and its results published in the Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society, Mr. Clements R. Markham observes that "Englishmen will always cherish a feeling of gratitude for the kindly deed of the brave Americans who tenderly collected and buried some of the bones of our heroes-a task which, we well know, entailed no small amount of peril and hardship." And this verdict will no doubt be cordially endorsed by all who read Col. Gilder's interesting narrative.

GEORGE T. TEMPLE.

Charles Lowder: a Biography. By the Author of "The Life of St. Theresa." By the (Kegan Paul, Trench & Co.)

WHENEVER the religious history of England in the nineteenth century is written, more than one paragraph in it must be devoted to the life and labours of Charles Lowder. The true missionary spirit was in him. It showed itself at the outset of his career, when he desired to throw in his lot with Bishop Selwyn, and it found full scope for its exercise in the dark places and cruel habitations at the East End of London. What "Father Lowder" effected by his twenty years of self-denying labour in the most degraded quarter of our great city will never be fully known, but the outward evidences of his good influence are to be seen in the altered circumstances of those among whom he dwelt. If, as there is abundant reason to believe, the moral atmosphere of the East End is purer than it was, if respect for religious ordinances has taken the place of open insult, and light has sprung up where once was only gloom—these happy results are largely due to the agencies set on foot by Mr. Lowder and his colleagues. We may not agree with the teaching by which St. Peter's, London Docks, was distinguished, but we cannot help admiring the teacher's

who delivers a beautiful princess from the

life and the courage with which he carried his convictions into practice. We can quite believe Mr. Linklater when he tells us that Mr. Lowder

"was not a Ritualist at all in the modern sense of the word, after the gushing, effeminate, sentimental manner of young shopboys, or those who simply ape the ways of Rome. He had glorious ritual in his church, because he thought the service of God could not be too magnifical."

And we can understand that a beautiful and reverent service would be of priceless value to wretched beings whose lives were unrelieved by the sight of one single streak of glory. But it is impossible to read this most interesting biography without seeing that Mr. Lowder's success was due almost entirely to the daily spectacle of courage, zeal, and genuine philanthropy which his life dis-played. He lived for his people, and they knew it. And so at his funeral, in the very streets where the mob had once pelted and ill-treated him, the police were obliged to keep a line amidst the crowds of weeping men who pressed forwards to see and touch the pall which covered their benefactor's coffin. It is said that hundreds, too poor to travel by rail, walked to Chislehurst to see his body committed to the earth.

"The scene on Chislehurst Common, when the trains of mourners had arrived from London, was wonderful; the men of Wapping and Shadwell, whom none will credit with extravagant religious weakness, gathered to manifest their gratitude and affection for the heroic priest who had laboured so long among them. It was computed that at least 3,000 were present, including about 200 clergy."

No higher eulogy than this could be given, and no better reason is needed for a book which, apart from the interest which attaches to its nominal subject, offers material for grave thought to all who possess the smallest "enthusiasm of humanity."

CHARLES J. ROBINSON.

Collection de Romans grecs. En Langue vulgaire et en Vers. Publiés pour la première fois d'après les Manuscrits de Leyde et d'Oxford par Sp. P. Lambros. (Paris: Maisonneuve.)

Owing to the indefatigable labours of such men as MM. Sathas and Legrand at Paris, of M. Lambros, of Athens, and of the late Dr. W. Wagner, of Hamburg, the publica-tion of the texts of mediaeval Greek poems proceeds apace. Throughout Europe the great libraries are being ransacked, and the specimens of this branch of literature which they are found to contain in surprising abundance are being carefully edited and printed in an attractive style. The present volume deserves especial attention in England, because so many of the MS. which M. Lambros has employed exist in our collections. It comprises four long poems, and these have the advantage of differing from one another in their subject and treatment, so that they may be regarded as representative specimens. The first, entitled Callimachus and Chrysorrhoë, is founded on

power of a dragon in an enchanted castle, but himself afterwards becomes the victim of a sorceress, who mars his happiness; his princess is then carried off by another, and the adventures of both are told, until at last he regains her. The date of this composi-tion is doubtful, but the story is graceful. and is pleasantly told. It exists only in a single MS., which appears to have been left by Joseph Scaliger to the University of Leyden, and is still in the possession of that body. The second is an epic poem relating the life and adventures of Digenes Acritas, a Byzantine hero of romance of the tenth century. This personage is at the present day the centre of a cycle of modern Greek ballads; but little was known of him until a few years ago, when a poem corresponding to the present one was dis-covered at Trebizond, and was published in 1875 by MM. Sathas and Legrand; since that time, three other versions have been brought to light-one in Italy, one in the Island of Andros, and the one here printed, which belongs to the library of Lincoln College, Oxford. This poem follows the same lines as the one previously known, but nevertheless is a different composition, and is in rhyme, which the other is not. It also contains the beginning and end of the story, which are wanting in the Trebizond version. The MS. was written by a monk of the Island of Chios in the latter half of the seventeenth century; he speaks, in fact, as if he were the composer of the poem; but it is pretty clear that his work consisted in putting an earlier work into rhyme. The lineage of the hero, who is the son of a Saracen emir and a Greek lady of noble family, his exploits in combating wild beasts and brigands, and the scene of the story, which is laid in the east of Asia Minor and on the banks of the Euphrates, combine to impart to it a highly romantic tone. Then follows a specimen of those imitations of the French romances to which M. Gidel has drawn attention in his first series of Etudes sur la Littérature grecque moderne, the story of Imberios and Margarona—that is, Pierre de Provence et la Belle Maquelonne. This work has already been published several times; but, as M. Lambros found that the MS. in the Bodleian Library, which had not before been collated, is especially valuable, he thought it worth while to edit the text afresh, making this version the basis of his edition, and comparing it throughout with the betterknown Vienna MS. The fourth poem, which is called a "consolatory address concerning good and evil fortune," is a story of a young man who, having suffered from misfortune all his life, sets out on an expedition to find the castle in which the goddess of Evil Fortune (Δυστυχία) dwells. On his way, he meets with Time, who gives him a letter to that divinity, and by her kind offices he is ingratiated with her sister, the goddess of Good Fortune (Εὐτυχία), who shows him the road to happiness. The moral is that the unfortunate should never despair, and that the prosperous should help those in misfortune, and remember that they themselves are Callimachus and Chrysorrhoë, is founded on a popular tale or fairy story, and relates the fortunes of the youngest of three princes, partly allegorical, but many of the incidents in boldness and insight most

which it contains suggest that it is an adaptation of an ancient popular tale. The MS. from which it is taken is also preserved in the Bodleian. All these poems will be found easy and agreeable reading by those who have even a superficial acquaintance with mediaeval or modern Greek.

In the Introduction, M. Lambros gives an interesting sketch of the rise of the mediaeval Greek literature in the vulgar tongue, and notices that the poems of chivalry mainly come, as might be expected, from Cyprus and Rhodes. He also points out the errors into which persons are liable to fall in editing these compositions, and adds some valuable hints for their guidance, together with remarks on the orthography. His own editorial work appears very careful; and there is an excellent Glossary at the end of the volume.

H. F. TOZER.

#### CURRENT THEOLOGY.

Ely Lectures on the Revised Version of the New Testament; with an Appendix containing the Chief Textual Changes. By B. H. Kennedy, D.D. (Bentley.) The first of these sermons is interesting as having been preached more than twenty years ago, when the author had no expectation that he would ever be called on to take part in the work of revision. At that time Dr. Kennedy advocated pointing Rom. ix. 5, with a full stop after "Christ came," and the same view is further enforced in one of the Appendices to the present volume. Other important points are discussed in the remaining portant points are discussed in the remaining two sermons, one of which contains a defence of the substitution of the word "love" for the "charity" of the Authorised Version; and in the dedication (to Dr. Scrivener) there is a good practical suggestion that, after the interval of a year, when criticism shall have exhausted itself, the Revising Company should be invited to meet again, and, "while they review their reviewers, to review themselves by such light as would have been gained." The synoptical view of the more important textual corrections view of the more important textual corrections will be found useful.

Forschungen zur Geschichte des neutestament-lichen Kanons und der altkirchlichen Literatur. Von Theodor Zahn. 1. Theil: Tatian's Diatessaron. (Erlangen: Deichert.) Tatian's Diatessaron, which has been hitherto little more than a name, is here not only made the subject of an elaborate treatise, but is actually presented, in bodily form and substance, to the eye of the reader in a dress, for the most part, Latin, but, where another set of materials is employed, partly also German. Taking as his foundation Moesinger's Latin version of the Commentary of Ephraem Syrus, now extant only in Armenian, and calling to his aid all other available authorities, of which the Homilies of Aphraates, the Persian sage, are the most important, Prof. Zahn gives us Tatian's text, so far as it can now be recovered, in the form in which, if his judgment may be relied upon, it must have been known in the churches round Edessa from the end of the second to the fifth century. Its original lan-guage, he contends, was Syriac. It is shown to be closely related to the Curetonian, and, as it is improbable that a translator would follow a harmony in which he could never depend on the sequence of the original being preserved, it is plausibly argued that the latter preceded the former. In other words, there was a Syriac translation of our four gospels as early as the

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of those that have followed it to this day. He sees no heresy in its omission of the genealogies, though Bishop Theodoret did. The mention of the light on the Jordan at the baptism of Jesus causes him no misgiving. Some of the learned author's positions are no doubt open to dispute; but that Tatian's Diatessaron was really a harmony or digest of four gospels, either ours or closely akin to them, that it was probably written in Syriac, and that it is the work commented on by Ephraem Syrus may now perhaps be considered pretty firmly established points. The text which constitutes the second part of this treatise is preceded by a disquisition on the historical attestation to the Diatessaron, and followed by one on its origin. There is a fourth part, on the imitations in other languages, and there are two Appendices, one on the Jerusalem Evangelistary, the other on the Doctrine of Addai. The value and importance of the work will not be denied. It is intended to be but one of a series of monographs preparatory to a complete history of the Canon.

Hermae Pastor. Graece e codicibus Sinaitico et Lipsiensi Scriptorumque ecclesiasticorum excerptis, collatis versionibus Latina utraque et Aethiopica, libri clausula Latine addita, restituit commentario critico et adnotationibus instruxit, Elxai fragmenta adjecit Adolphus Hilgenfeld. Editio libri altera emendata et valde aucta. (Lipsiae: T. O. Weigel.) Students will welcome the second edition of Hilgenfeld's Hermae Pastor. The former edition, it will be remembered, appeared in 1876 as part of his "Novum Testamentum extra canonem receptum." The prosent one is enlarged by the addition of nearly one hundred pages of annotations. The Prolegomena are considerably extended, and the text, which is printed in a beautiful type, is emended in many places. Hilgenfeld now defends the view, already maintained by the Comte de Champagny, but impugned by Harnack, that the Pastor is the work of more than one hand, and points out inconsistencies which seem to show that this is the case.

An Introduction to the Study of the New Testament, Critical, Exegetical, and Theological. By Samuel Davidson, D.D. Second Edition, Revised and Improved. In 2 vols. mans.) In the Preface to this second edition of his Introduction, Dr. Davidson not unnaturally refers to the works bearing on the subject which have appeared since the publication of the first, in 1868; but he makes no mention of Dr. Abbot's remarkable article on the Gospels in the new edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. Had he been acquainted with that article, he would hardly have adhered to the opinion formerly expressed that in all probability "Mark made use of his two predecessors," Matthew and Luke; for, if Dr. Abbot proves nothing else, he has at least demonstrated that hypothesis to be untenable. On some other points, as might well be expected after the lapse of so many years, we find that Dr. Davidson has modified or altered his views. Thus 2 Thess., placed first in the previous edition as the earliest book in the New Testament, is now placed after James, as only partly authentic. The Epistle to the Colossians is rejected no less than that to the Ephesians, and the 15th as well as the 16th chapter of Romans. The whole work, moreover, has been revised throughout, and nearly every page bears witness to the care and labour which have been spent upon it. It is hardly necessary to say that Dr. Davidson's views are those of the rationalistic school of New Testament criticism, or that his statement of them is learned, logical, and temperate. Graces of style are not perhaps to be looked for in a work of this kind, but it must be regretted

p. 179) is not English, and if "repetitious" (ib. p. 238) is a coinage of the author's it does not strike us as a happy one. However, Dr. Davidson's work, as being the only one of its kind in English, has already taken a high place in theological literature, and this second edition will fully maintain the author's reputation.

"Bibliotheca Rabbinica:" eine Sammlung alter Midrashim zum ersten Male ins Deutsche übertragen, von Lie. Dr. Aug. Wünsche. Dreizehnte Lieferung: Der Midrash Echa Rabbati. Dr. Wünsche is doing a good work in Germanising the great Midrash Rabboth, of which the present treatise is an important section. The Midrashim have an interest not only for Biblical specialists, but also for the students of general literature and history. In the words of Dr. Wünsche,

"Besides the moral-allegorical exegesis, the Midrash contains many fragments of discourses that were really delivered, poetic embellishments of Biblical events, paraphrases and amplifications of the simple text of Scripture, a great number of charming parables, fables, and legends, numerous happy sayings and pithy maxims."

The instalment before us is a portion of the "Echa Rabbati"—i.e., the Haggadic exposition of the Lamentations of Jeremiah. It may argue a want of discernment, but we fail to see any real connexion between the story of the Four Jerusalemites and their Athenian Host and "the essential elements of the Hamlet Sage," such as Dr. Wünsche assumes in his short but instructive Preface. We leave it to the Shaksperians to determine.

The Second Book of Samuel. "The Cambridge Bible for Schools." Edited by A. F. Kirkpatrick. (Cambridge University Press.) Small as this work is in mere dimensions, it is every way the best on its subject and for its purpose that we know of. The opening sections at once prove the thorough competence of the writer for dealing with questions of criticism in an earnest, faithful, and devout spirit; and the Appendice discuss a few special difficulties with a full knowledge of the data, and a judicial reserve, which contrast most favourably with the super-ficial dogmatism which has too often made the exegesis of the Old Testament a field for the play of unlimited paradox and the ostentation of personal infallibility. The notes are always clear and suggestive; never trifling or irreleand they everywhere demonstrate the great difference in value between the work of a commentator who is also a Hebraist, and that of one who has to depend for his Hebrew upon second-hand sources. Among many other references, we notice the judicious use of a book which cannot be too widely known-Maurice's Prophets and Kings of the Old Testament. may be permitted to suggest that the mention tirst of "the old Latin versions," and then of "the Old Latin Version" (pp. 16, 17), is not quite clear for school-boys; and that the ancient Peshitta version might well have received some notice along with the LXX. and the Targum of Jonathan.

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period to be covered by the History is from the beginning of the monarchy to the ruin of the Jewish people (dated by Dr. Stade at the fall of Masada, A.D. 73). The method is that of historical criticism, and it must be confessed that Dr. Stade relies more upon a certain trained tact than most English readers will think desirable. He considers the Hebrew texts to have been frequently manipulated by editors, and boldly denies that the manipulators were guilty of any want of good faith; "on the contrary," he maintains, "the alterations were made in the service of truth," the idea of literary property not yet having arisen. Dr. Stade does not under-estimate the difficulties to be overcome by a historian of Israel; the Introduction even presents these difficulties in a clearer form than any current popular work (for "popular" in the best sense the historical series to which this work belongs is designed to be). The "first book" discusses the sources for the history of Israel under the kings and the traditional chronology. Full weight is given to the Assyrian inscriptions, and Dr. Stade confesses that the dates of the Israelitish kings can only bein some degree fixed when these kings are mentioned in the inscriptions. Book ii. describes the preliminary history of the Israelitish kingdoms. Dr. Stade compliments our countrymen on the trustworthiness of their topographical researches, but regrets the question-able character of their archaeological results "arising from their generally complete ignorance of Biblical criticism." He considers himself dispensed from a consideration of many problems which harass most English students. For instance, Prof. Sayce argues from Gen. xxiii. that "'a branch of the Hittite race seems to have settled in the S. of Palestine;" but Dr. Stade quietly remarks, "It is a misunderstanding of the 'Grundschrift' that Hittites were also settled in the S. of Palestine." Egyptologists not in England alone, however) have debated, and still debate, under which of the Pharaohs the Exodus is to be placed; Dr. Stade closes the discussion with the dictum, "If any Hebrew clandid once a real in Franchise." clan did once dwell in Egypt, its name is un-known, and the Egyptologists would not even discover it if they understood more of Hebrew antiquity." Our author is, indeed, very de-cided in his opinions. Corrections of the text or of some current rendering occur on every other page, though it must be added that the intelligibility of the text is augmented by the process. Illustrations of the early narratives also abound; one remark may be quoted on the supposed "treachery" of Jael (Judg. v.): "We ought not to find a violation of hospitality in Jael's conduct. In the sense of his power, the Canaanitish king had evidently not considered that, before entering the tent of a nomade, he should secure himself by the usual appeal for a hospitable reception." Book iii. relates to the Manassite kingdom; Gideon, we are told, is shown by the connexion of Judg. ix., to have really become king, as well as Abimelech. Saul and David are the heroes of book iv.; David alone of the first chapter of book v. The second chapter, unfinished as yet, introduces us to Solomon—to "the real Solomon," and also to "the Solomons of legend." But we have already reached our limits, and conclude by recommending this as a not irreverent, though "advanced," specimen of analytic and synthetic criticism of the Old Testament narratives. The author is perfectly master of his material, and the work may be read by serious students with pleasure.

Gesetz und Propheten: ein Beitrag zur alttestamentlichen Kritik. Von Lic. C. J. Bredenkamp. (Erlangen: Deichert.) The place of printing and publishing sufficiently shows the theological colour of the book. A succession of energetic orthodox teachers has made Erlangen as conspicuous in one sense as Tübingen formerly

was in another. Without recommending anyone to translate Dr. Bredenkamp's work (for it would not suit English readers, and would be the reverse of interesting), we willingly recognise its superiority to the most recent works of our own apologists. Wellhausen, a mere name to most of us, is the adversary whom Dr. Breden-kamp earnestly but, let us add, courteously opposes. Our author's conclusion is that, so far from requiring a gradual, parallel de-velopment of the law, the prophetic literature throughout assumes its existence, and the merit of Wellhausen (as the completor of the work of Graf and Kuenen) is to have shown how impossible are the older critical theories, which supposed the Levitical legislation of the great narrative work which precedes it to have arisen in the regal period. The work falls into an introduction and four chapters, treating successively of fundamental ideas and of the references to the forms and place of the authors discoverable in the prophetic literature. The author is certainly no bigot. By a happy extension of a well-known phrase he even describes the Book of Chronicles as deutero-canonical. But we fear he is not yet quite familiar with the methods and aims of that historical criticism of whose representatives he is the conscientious opponent.

Justini Philosophi et Martyris Opera. Ad optimos libros MSS. nune primum aut denuo collatos recensuit, prolegomenis et commentariis instruxit, translatione Latina ornavit, indices adjecit. Io. Car. Th. Eques de Otto. Tom III. Pars 2. Editio Tertia. (Jena: G. Fischer.) This volume of the new edition of Dr. von Otto: admirable Corpus Apologetarum Christianorum saeculi secundi (the first volume of which appeared in 1876) brings to a conclusion the works, genuine and supposititious, that bear the name of Justin. This masterly piece of work is already known as a monument of German industry, and henceforth will be acknowledged universally as the edition of Justin Martyr.

A History of Christian Doctrines. By the late Dr. K. R. Hagenbach, Professor of Theology at Basel. Translated from the fifth and last German edition, with Additions from other sources. Vol. III. (Edinburgh: T. and T. Clark.) The "additions from other sources" to Hagenbach's well-known work relate chiefly to the theology of England, Scotland, and the United States, which are treated of by Hagenbach less fully than might seem desirable for English readers. The idea is good, but it has been realised here with only a moderate success. The bibliographical information is neither very full nor very accurate, and we have noticed several instances of carelessness which should not have escaped the English editor.

Hymns for the Church and Chamber. By the Rev. C. D. Bell, D.D. (Nisbet.) Canon Bell writes fluently, and hymns are not difficult to produce. We have met with both the thoughts and rhymes in this volume not unfrequently before. "The Land within the Veil" seems to us the most poetical of the hymns, but Faber's on the same subject is better; and in the verses on humility Canon Bell should not have left his debt to George Herbert unacknowledged in the lines

"I care not—I will light a fire Or, if Thou pleasest, sweep a floor."

WE have also received:—The Very Words of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, gathered from the Four Gospels, according to the Authorised Version (1611). with marginal quotations from the Revised Version, also with an Index of Passages and Subjects (Oxford University Press); The Apocalypse, with a Commentary and an Introduction on the Reality of Prediction, the History of Christendom, the

Scheme of Interpretation, and the Antichrist of St. Paul and St. John, by the Rev. Edward Huntingdon (Kegan Paul, Trench and Co.); The Song of Songs, Arranged in Twelve Canticles, and Rendered into English Blank Verse, by B. S. Clarke, with an Introduction by Horatius Bonar (James Nisbet and Co.); Contributions to a New Revision; or, a Critical Companion to the New Testament: being a Series of Notes on the Original Text, with a view of securing greater uniformity in its English rendering, including the chief alterations of the "Revision" of 1881 and of the American Committee, by Robert Young (Edinburgh: G. A. Young and Co.); From the Beginning; or, Stories from Genesis, for Little Children, by Mrs. G. E. Morton (Hatchards); Scripture Echoes in our Church's Collects, for Sundays and the Days connected with our Lord's History, with Hymns original and selected, by the Rev. John P. Hobson ("Home Words" Publishing Office); Short Sketches of Fathers of the English Church, for Young Readers, by Frances Phillips (Bemrose and Sons); Specimen-Glasses for the King's Minstrels, by the late Frances Ridley Havergal ("Home Words" Publishing Office); The Larger Hope; or, Salvation for All, including the Rejectors of the Gospel, examined in a Review of the Rev. Samuel Cox's Salvator Mundi, by the Rev. Thomas Powell (Kerby and Endean); &c., &c., &c.

#### NOTES AND NEWS.

MISS HAMILTON, only daughter of Sir William Hamilton, who died last week, had for some time been engaged on a translation of the late Prof. Lotze's Mikrokosmus, which it may be hoped will yet be published. It will be remembered that a translation of the same philosopher's System der Philosophie, by Prof. Green, is promised us by the Clarendon Press.

WE announced a short while since that Mr. J. A. Symonds is preparing a volume of sonnets with the title Vagabunduli Libellus. He has now decided to postpone the publication of this book, and will issue in its stead a collection, called Animi Figura, of sonnets on ethical and psychological themes. In this he will incorporate some which he has already published, together with over ninety new ones.

THE last gathering of the Oxford Browning Society, at the Rector of Lincoln's, to hear Mr. Arthur Sidgwick's paper on Browning's love poetry, was the most successful meeting the society has held. A large number of guests were present, including some from London.

Mr. Maskell has, we believe, printed for private distribution five-and-twenty copies of the "Dissertation on Ancient Service Books" prefixed to his Monumenta Ritualia.

THE first publications of the Wyclif Society will be the treatises De Mandatis Dei (on the Ten Commandments) and De Statu Innocentiae, being books i. and ii. of Wyclif's chief work, the Summa Theologiae. These will be edited by Mr. F. D. Matthew, the editor of the Early-English Text Society's volume of Wyclif's English Works, and will be ready this year. The chief text for 1883 will be the treatise De Veritate Scripturae Sanctae, written in 1378 or 1379, being book vi., and the most important one, of the Summa Theologiae. This will be edited by Dr. Rudolf Buddensieg, of Dresden, who has now in the press a volume of Wyclif's Polemical Tracts, of which the King of Saxony will pay the cost. Dr. Lechler, the well-known editor of Wyclif's Trialogus, has handed over to Dr. Buddensieg all his notes and material for an edition of the De Veritate.

MR. W. CAREW HAZLITT has almost ready for

publication through Mr. Quaritch his "Second Series of Bibliographical Collections and Notes of Early-English Literature, 1474-1700," containing 10,000 titles and details of rare books copied by his own hand. Mr. Hazlitt has also printed a list of the forty-three works he has written or edited since the year 1858.

Miss Smith, of Cheltenham, a member of the New Shakspere Society, is preparing a parallel text of the First and Second Quartos of "Hamlet," with the First Folio version and a revised text. We believe that she intends to present copies of her Parallel-Text Hamlet to her fellow-members of the New Shakspere Society. She will mark all differences from the Second Quarto by variations of type, so that the changes may be caught at once by the eye. Her revised text will probably be in the old spelling of the Second Quarto (1604) which Dr. Tanger argues is Shakspere's own.

Messrs. T. and T. Clark, of Edinburgh, will shortly publish a third edition of Prof. Watts' The Newer Criticism, &c.: a Reply to W. Robertson Smith's Lectures. The same firm have in the press a new volume of their "Bible-Class Handbooks"—viz., St. Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews, by the Rev. Dr. Davidson, Professor of Hebrew in the New College, Edinburgh, and author of the well-known Hebrew Grammar.

MESSES. BEMEOSE AND SONS propose to publish by subscription a new edition of Mr John Sleigh's History of the Ancient Parish of Leek, in Staffordshire, which was published in 1862, and has long been out of print. The proposed new edition will contain much additional information, and will be issued, to subscribers sending in their names before May 1, at one guinea per copy. The same firm have in the press a Concordance to the Revised Version of the New Testament, which, it is said, has been compiled upon an original plan.

THE Book of St. Albans, as it is called, appeared in a sale last week, for the first time during the course of the present century. The interest attaching to the volume as the earliest English work on field sports, and as the first treatise in the language upon armorial bearings, led to an eager competition, which ended in another triumph for Mr. Quaritch, at the price of 600 guineas.

MESSRS. HURST AND BLACKETT will shortly publish a fourth and cheaper edition of My Lord and My Lady, by Mrs. Forrester, author of Viva, &c., in one volume.

Dr. F. Landmann, whose discovery of the Spanish origin of *Euphues* and Euphuism we have mentioned more than once, is preparing a critical edition of the first part of *Euphues*, which came out by itself, and has never been reprinted. Mr. Arber's reprint was made from a later edition, probably the first complete one of the whole book.

THE Queen has been pleased to accept a copy of Mr. W. H. Hatton's work on The Churches of Yorkshire for the Royal Library at Windsor. The chapters of this book first appeared in Mr. Hatton's Bradford Times, a paper which devotes considerable attention to local history and antiquarian subjects.

Mr. James Cargill Guthrie, author of "Village Scenes," "Rowena," "The Vale of Strathmore," &c., has in the press a new volume of poems and songs, entitled "Woodland Echoes," which will be published early in April.

Mr. Chas. Watson, of West Hartlepool, is about to issue a magazine to be devoted to local history, archaeology, folk-lore, social topics, poetry, &c., under the title of St. Outh-

bert's Magazine. The name is well chosen for a publication intended to circulate in the county of Durham.

Under the title of The British Imperial Atlas, Messrs. Letts and Son have published a series of maps that are likely to prove of great practical usefulness. By an intelligent use of colours, the publishers have, without in the least rendering the physical characteristics of the countries depicted blurred or indistinct, contrived to combine in this work all the more important features of a good physical and statistical atlas. The price is only one guinea.

A SERIES of articles written for the Leeds Express by Mr. William Andrews, hon. secretary of the Hull Literary Club, under the title of "Historic Yorkshire," will shortly be published

in one volume.

Messes. Crosby Lockwood and Co. annonnee the immediate publication of the following works:—Continuous Railway Brakes, by Michael Reynolds, author of "Locomotive Engine Driving"; The Action of Lightning and the Means of Defending Life and Property from its Effects, by Arthur Parnell, Major in the Corps of Royal Engineers; The Boiler-maker's Ready Reckoner, by John Courtney, edited by D. Kinnear Clark; A Practical Treatise on the Joints made and used by Builders in the Construction of Various Kinds of Engineering and Architectural Works, &c., by J. W. Christy; Hints for Investors: being an Explanation of the Mode of transacting Business on the Stock Exchange, with Comments on the Fluctuations, and Table of Quarterly Average Prices of Consols since 1750, by Walter M. Playford, Sworn Broker; and Mathematics as applied to the Constructive Arts, Illustrating the Various Processes of Mathematical Investigation by Means of Arithmetical and Simple Algebraical Equations and Practical Examples, by Francis Campin, author of Materials and Construction," &c.

Mr. J. Burkill, of Otley, who is well known by his contributions to literature, will shortly publish Reminiscences and Personal Experiences.

AT the last meeting of the Historical Society of the Vaud, Abbé Gremaud, of Freiburg, read a paper on the foundation of the renowned hospice on the St. Bernard. It was long believed that the hospice was founded by Bernard in the year 962, and the belief was founded exclusively upon the Life of St. Bernard of Menthon written by a certain Richard the Archdeacon. This Life is now proved to be apocryphal, and was probably compiled in the thirteenth century, instead of the tenth. M. Gremaud brought forward proof that the very first authentic document in which the hospice is mentioned is dated 1125.

SIGNOR SEVERINO FERRARI is publishing, in monthly parts, a collection of early Italian literature, dealing specially with the earliest examples of the written language, under the title of "Biblioteca di Letteratura italiana" (Firenze: Tipografia del Vocabulario). The first part, which has just appeared, contains a selection of fifteenth-century Carnival masques.

MESSRS. S. W. PARTRIDGE AND Co. will shortly publish a pamphlet entitled British Opium Policy, and its Results to India and China. The work will be dedicated to Henry

Richard, Esq., M.P.

MR. ERNEST RADFORD continues his Browning searches, and has found the original of the poet's "Dramatic Idyl," Ned Bratts (1879). It is "The Story of Old Tod"—a thief who confessed his guilt, and was hanged with his wife—in Bunyan's Life and Death of Mr. Badman, and was told to the author by a "Relator that was at the same time himself in the Court, and stood within less than two yards of old Tod." Mr. Browning has borrowed the conversion of Ned Bratts and his wife from Bunyan's book.

THE Historisk Tidskrift, published by the Historical Society of Sweden, has now been in existence for one year. This Review replaced the Historisk Bibliotek, which was founded in 1875 by C. Silfverstolpe, and ceased to appear in 1880, after seven volumes had been published.

For some years past a society for the study of Swedish folk-lore has been recruited from among the students at the Universities of Lund, Upsal, and Helsingfors. This association now possesses an organ, which is published under the title of Nyare Bidrag till Kännedom om de Svenska Landsmålen och Svenskt Folklif (Stockholm: Samson and Wallin), and is edited by J. A. Lundell.

WE learn that a society for the study of Spanish folk-lore has been founded by the exertions of Señor Machado y Alvarez. The programme of the society includes not merely folk-lore in the sense generally assigned to that term, but philology, archaeology, and all science that can throw light on the history of Spanish civilisation.

M. CHARLES DE RIBBE has published an interesting volume of selections from the family records of Jacques Grimoard de Beauvoir, a country gentleman of Provence, who traced his lineage to the family from which sprung Pope Urban V. The book is entitled *Une Famille rurale au XVIIe Siècle* (Paris: Libr. de la Société Bibliogr.).

Mr. Demetrius Bikelas will shortly publish a Modern-Greek version of "Macbeth" and of "Hamlet" (Athens: Coromilas).

A COLLECTED edition of the lyrical poems of Steingrund Thorsteinson, the Icelandic poet, has just appeared (Reykjavik: K. O. Jorgrimsson), under the title of Ljódmoeli.

Messes. Houghton, Mifflin and Co. are about to issue a companion series to the "American Men of Letters" in the shape of "American Statesmen." The first volume will be the Life of John Quincy Adams, written by Mr. John T. Morse, jun.

THE firm of J. C. B. Mohr, of Freiburg and Tübingen, are publishing, under the editorship of Dr. Alfred Holder, a series of original records having reference to the history of ancient and mediaeval Germany, which will be called "The German Library." Every work is reprinted from a careful collation of the earliest known MSS., and the series is fittingly headed by the Germania of Tacitus.

It is announced that M. de Cosnac has, by the publication of vol. vii., completed the first series of his valuable Souvenirs du Règne de Louis XIV, bringing his story down to the siege of Bordeaux in 1653. This work contains many inedited documents of great value, especially as regards the history of the Fronde. M. de Cosnac will shortly publish the Memoirs of the Marquis de Ponches, and proposes to bring out a second series of the historical memorials of Louis XIV.

An interesting essay on the condition of the estates of Picardy during the period of the League has appeared from the pen of M. F. Pouy, under the title of La Chambre du Conseil des Etats de Picardie pendant la Lique (Amiens]: Delattre-Lenoël). The essay is followed by an Appendix containing some inedited documents of distinct interest.

THE Revue critique publishes the following statistics concerning the four universities of Switzerland from 1876 to 1881:—The total number of students who entered the various universities! was 1,058, 113 being students in theology, 188 in law, 288 in philosophy, and 288 in medicine. To Zürich must be credited 332 students, to Berne 320, to Bâle 204, and to Geneva 201.

ORIGINAL VERSE.

CHRISTIANOS DOCET PAGANUS .- A.D. 384.

We find the subject of our tale
At Antioch, in Orontes' vale:
A place resembling in the main
The modern city on the Seine,
Where airy crowd, whose equal bent
Towards pleasure or devotion leant,
Was ready aye, on slightest cry,
To hoist sedition's flag on high.

Our story happened at the time
The Faith had reached, some say, its prime,
Had passed it, others.\* Pagan creeds
Nigh ceased to serve for human needs—
The gods of Hellas slowly died
'Fore worship of the Crucified:
And preached far-famed through north and south
Saint John, he of the Golden mouth.

As happens oft, so fell it then,
The seasons baulked the toils of men,
For winter's frost and summer's rain
Refused to fructify the grain;
Hence famine. And the atheist † crowd
At once began to murmur loud,
As usual, 'gainst the Government
As causing dearth and discontent:
"Why should the bakers swell their store,
And we are forced from door to door
To beg the while? Come, pass a law
To save us all from famine's maw!
The bakers—or we'll all be dead—
Compel to sell us cheaper bread!"

The bakers, frightened, shut their shops, Took, like the monks, to mountain tops; And soon 'twas found, when they withdrew, The famine hard and harder grew. "On with the torture!" fierce they yell; "Catch all the bakers! scourge them well! Force them disgorge their ill-got gain, And share with us the heaven-sent grain!"

Philagrius valued at small price The hunger-stricken crowd's advice; And, better skilled in nature's laws, He knew the bakers not the cause Of famine; but he held it sent As part of God's wise regiment.

The bakers he refused to scourge;
The mob, suspicious, louder urge
The torture: till at last they cry,
"He's bribed! he shares their gains! that's why
He spares them so!"

Like Pilate's choice,
Philagrius, 'gainst conscience' voice—
Better and worse before him laid—
The better loved, the worse obeyed.

The seventh was scourged: when past there came Libanius of rhetoric fame.
The man was old—three score and ten—
Had seen faiths ‡ changed and changed again:
Yet still amid that changeful scene
Ne'er bowed he to the Nazarene;
But worshipped aye the gods of Greece,
Still hoped their worship would increase,
And prayed, as only zealots can,
"Oh for another Julian!"

Known to the crowd—he long held rule
Cnief sophist in their world-famed school—
And, seeing with a pitying glance
That sacrifice to ignorance,
Through all their scowls the old man pressed,
And to the Count § his suit addressed:
Appealed to pity, common-sense,
"Could scourging e'er prove innocence?"
The Count with favour heard his plea,
And ordered, "Set the prisoners free!"

Well done, Libanius! noble deed— To teach the Christians their creed! But learnedst thou from gods of Hellas To pity so thy human fellows?

\* Gregory of Nazianzus.
† &θeos. Libanius: used as a common name for Christians by the cultivated Greeks of the period.
‡ Libanius was born in 314 and died in 395 A.D.
§ Comes Orientis.

J. HUTCHISON.

#### OBITUARY.

DR. LIMACHER, the editor of the Bund of Bern, died last week in the Victoria Hospital at that city. He had been confined to his room since the beginning of the year, and was re-moved to the hospital in order to undergo an operation. He passed away under the influence of chloroform. Limacher was a native of Flühli, in Luzern, studied jurisprudence and political economy at Heidelberg, and, after a short practice as a lawyer, became editor of the Luzerner Tagblatt. In 1868 he was invited to take charge of the Bund, the most influential and widely circulated of all Swiss daily journals. For a series of years he was the life and soul of the conflict which ended in the revision of the Federal Constitution of Switzerland in 1874.

THE death is announced, at the age of sixtyeight, of the well-known Paris bookseller M. Auguste Fontaine, of the Passage des Pano-

#### THE STUDY OF FOLK-LORE.

WE have received the first number of a quarterly Sicilian Review for folk-lore, entitled Archivio per lo Studio delle Tradizioni popolari, and which is published at Palermo under the joint editorship of Signor G. Pitre and Signor Salomone Marino. Both these gentlemen have long been known as diligent workers in the field of folk-lore, and they have been fortunate in securing the support of some of the most eminent scholars in Europe. This opening number contains contributions of great interest by Reinhold, Köhler, Consiglieri Pedroso, Finamore, de Puymaigre, Gianandrea, Carolina Coronedi, Berti, Costa, Ferraro, and the two editors. The Review is prefaced by a letter from Prof. Max Müller addressed to the editor, Dr. Giuseppe Pitrè, and published by him in Italian, of which we are enabled to give the original in English.

"Oxford : October 19, 1881. "MY DEAR SIR,-

"You ask me to send you a Preface to a journal which you intend to publish, with some friends of yours, and which is to form an archive for popular traditions in Europe. I confess I feel some difficulty in complying with your request. The study of the popular tradi-tions of Europe and of the whole world has made such gigantic strides during the last twenty years that I have only been able, not possessing myself a pair of those famous 'Meilenstiefel,' to watch it from a very respectful distance. Years ago, when that study was, if not despised, at least ignored, I spoke out as strongly as I could against its detractors. Now that I begin to feel old and tired, I find the trees which I helped to plant growing into such forests that often I feel tempted to cry out, 'Enough! enough!'

"And really there is a danger in all scientific pursuits of doing too much, of gathering too much material, more, I mean, than we can classify and survey, or of losing ourselves in minute distinctions—too minute for any prac-

tical purposes. "And this applies with especial force to the subject which we both have at heart, and in which you have proved yourself a real master —I mean the collection of popular stories.

That there should be a recognised journal in which the best students of folk-lore should publish their best treasures is most desirable, particularly if that journal stands under the censorship of such scholars as you and some of your collaborateurs have shown themselves to be. But let the gate to your journal be a But let the gate to your journal be a strait gate.

"To collect popular stories is either a most difficult or a most easy task. Everybody who finds nothing better to do thinks he is able at least to write down the stories which his nurse

has told him. But this, you know, is a great mistake. First of all, not every story that an old woman may tell deserves to be written down and printed. There is a peculiar earthy flavour about the genuine home-grown, or, if I may say so, autochthonic Mürchen-something like the flavour of the dark-red wild strawberrywhich we must learn to appreciate before we can tell whether a story is old or new, genuine or made-up; whether it comes, in fact, from the forest or from the hot-house. This is a matter of taste; but, as tasters of wine or tea will tell you, even taste can be acquired.

"Secondly, the same story should, whenever that is possible, be collected from different sources and in different localities, and the elements that are common to all versions should be carefully distinguished from those that are peculiar to one or more only.

"Thirdly, each collector should acquaint himself with the results already obtained in the classification of stories, in order to see and to say at once to what cluster each new story belongs. Hahn's classification of ancient myths, imperfect as it is, may give you an example of what ought to be done in order to arrive at a classification of modern myths. Here your

archives might render very great service.
"Fourthly, wherever it is possible the story ought to be given in the ipsissima verba of the This will be a safeguard against story-teller. that dishonesty in the collection of stories from which we have suffered so much. It is quite true that a collector who trims and embellishes a story ought to be whipped; while a man who invents a story and publishes it as genuine ought to be shot. But, until such a Draconic law is carried into effect, your insisting on having in all cases the ipsissima verba will be a great protection against swindlers. Besides, it will have the advantage of making your journal not only an archive for stories, but also a treasury for the students of dialects. The study of dialects, I feel certain, is full of promise; and I still hold as strongly as ever that, in order to know what language is, we must study it in its dialects, which alone represent the real natural life of language. Only here again moderation is essential, as also is the practice of that art which is the secret of all true art and of all true knowledge-viz., the art of distinguishing what is really important from what is unimportant. Without that art, collectors of dialects and collectors of stories may fill whole libraries with their volumes; but real knowledge—the knowledge that gives us clear ideas, and strengthens and sharpens the mind for new work-will be impeded rather than advanced.

"The really essential points on which a scientific study of popular stories can, and ought to, throw light are not many. What we want to know is:

"(1) Whether these stories exist in many places, and are, therefore, a natural product of the human mind in its growth from savagery to culture.

"(2) Whether we can trace their history from modern to ancient times, and follow up their migrations from East to West.

(3) Whether we can understand their origin or raison d'être by discovering their first formation in the mythopoetic stratum of human lan-guage and human thought.

These are the three momentous questions; everything else is curious only, unless it serves directly or indirectly to throw light on them. To be able to suppress what is merely curious in order to make room for what is really important seems to me the test of the true scholar in every field of research. To do this requires great self-denial on the part of a student, and even greater firmness on the part of an editor of such a journal as you contemplate.

"As I take a warm interest in the success of

your Archivio, I thought I might venture to address these warnings to you, though they are meant much less for you than for some of your collaborateurs, to whom you might yourself perhaps hesitate to address them. From what I know of your own writings, I believe I have only been expressing your own convictions, and I therefore look forward with high expectations to the appearance of the first number of your Archivio per lo Studio delle Tradizioni popolari in January next.

"Believe and all good wishes, "Yours truly, "F. MAX MÜLLER." "Believe me to be, with sincere regard and

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### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### "IT IS NO WONDER."

#### London : March 13, 1882.

In the review of my novel which appeared in your pages last week, the Rev. Dr. Littledale, your pages last week, the Rev. Dr. Littledale, in courteously pointing out some of the defects which marred what he was pleased to call my "genuine literary capacity," referred to the Italian phrases buona sara and buona journa which occur in the book. Will you have the goodness to allow me to state that I intended guard.

the spelling of these words to indicate their pronunciation by the seamstress, Miss Banks? I thought this would have been sufficiently understood by the sentence in which the phrases occur, which I beg to give:—"Little Miss Banks always stopped the noise of her sewing machine to salute him through the open window with buona journa and buona sara, two phrases which he had taught her, and which caused her to be regarded by the street generally as a talented linguist."

J. FITZGERALD MOLLOY.

#### "LANINI" OR "LUINI."

In reply to Dr. Richter's letter in last week's Academy, may I say that I was not more able than he to discern the hand of Luini in the work under discussion? Of Lanini, indeed, I had not heard, and too hastily allowed myself to suppose that I had before me only one more instance of erroneous ascription, and careless printing. The general state of the Catalogue was such as to make any mistake credible, and to throw a would-be cautious critic off his

JEWS IN ENGLAND BEFORE 1643.

Balliol College, Oxford : March 14, 1882.

ERNEST RADFORD.

The quotation made by Prof. Gardiner from Agostini's despatches for 1643 in the columns of the ACADEMY for March 4, proving the presence of Jews in England in that year, is an interesting confirmation of a conclusion to which I have been led by an investigation I have been of late years conducting into the obscurer portions of Anglo-Jewish history. I have found so many traces of the presence of Jews in this country, whether as residents or as visitors, in the fourteenth, the fifteenth, the sixteenth, and the seventeenth centuries that I regard myself as justified in inferring that a considerable number of them lived in this country long before Cromwell attempted to give them the legal right of settlement, and that at no time were they wholly absent. In a paper of mine that appeared in the Gentleman's Magazine for February 1880, entitled "The Original of Shylock," I quoted several instances of individual Jews residing in England during Elizabeth's reign, based on evidence derived from the State Papers and other contemporary sources. Since the publication of that article, I have collected much more infor-mation on the subject, of both earlier and later date, and I believe that I may best answer Prof. Gardiner's question as to the appearance of Jews here after their expulsion in Edward J.'s reign, and best illustrate the significance of his quotation, by briefly summarising a por-tion of my information dating from the time of the Tudors.

Some of the direct historical evidence that I have gathered together (chiefly from State Paper Calendars or Privy Council Minutes), to little of which, I believe, has attention been called before, is as follows:—

1. Amador de los Rios, in his Estudios históricos políticos y literarios sobre los Júdios de España (1848), and in the elaborate and scholarly enlargement of the same work the last volume of which was published at Madrid in 1876, mentions that, on the expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1494, many of them found their way to England, and established themselves and their synagogues at London, York, and Dover.

2. The Spanish ambassador in England, when

2. The Spanish ambassador in England, when negotiating with Henry VII. the marriage of Arthur Prince of Wales and Catherine of Arragon, complained to the King of Jewish exiles from Spain having taken refuge here, and conversed with him at length on the subject.

3. About 1543 the attention of the Privy

Council was directed to the presence of Jews in England, and a list of persons declared to be of the proscribed faith was drawn up.

4. In 1550 a doctor, stated to be a well-known Jew, was charged before the Lord Mayor with immoral practices, and ultimately banished.

5. In 1586 a Jewish doctor (Roderigo Lopez) was appointed chief physician to the Queen. (In the article to which I have already referred, I collected from contemporary authorities, I imagine for the first time, notices of Lopez's career, and of that of his family. Several of his intimate friends here were, I endeavoured to show, also of the Jewish faith. I have since found other contemporary references to support my conclusion. In 1594 Lopez was convicted, and hanged at Tyburn, on a charge of treason, amid great popular excitement.)

6. In 1589 a Jew was charged with blas-

6. In 1589 a Jew was charged with blasphemy at Bristol, and sent before the Privy Council. (I have transcribed several interesting documents relating to this case now at the

Record Office.)
7. In 1591 a Jewess and her brothers, who had been carried off from a Spanish vessel by an English man-of-war, came to London, and the lady was publicly received by the Queen. (A full account of these facts may be found in Kayserling, Geschichte der Juden von Portugal.)

8. In 1608 a Jew in high repute at Oxford was befriended by Casaubon, and a futile attempt was made to baptize him. (The present Rector of Lincoln has given an account of the circumstance in his Life of Isaac Casaubon.)

9. In 1625 Charles I. granted a Jew at Cam-

 In 1625 Charles I. granted a Jew at Cambridge a pension of £40 a-year, presumably on conversion.

10. In 1627, among those who lent Charles I. large sums of money, the name of Abraham Jacob frequently occurs. (In Leti's Vita di Ol. Cromwello (Amsterdam, 1690) Charles is said to have borrowed at a later date 20,000 ducats from a Jew of Amsterdam. The passage is quoted in the notes to Kayserling, Menasseh-ben-

11. In 1635 a woman described as a Jewess was imprisoned in Bridewell by the High Commission Court for refusing to eat meat killed in the ordinary way, and adhering to other Jewish

customs.

These are some of the historical notes dated before 1643 that I can lay my hand on at this moment. I should add that the State Paper Calendars show that the English Levant Company transacted the greater part of its business with Jewish traders, and it is not, therefore, unreasonable to suppose that some Jewish agents resided here, or paid this country occasional visits. It should also be remembered that the Jewish Converts' House founded by Henry III. in 1233 was maintained until the eighteenth century, and that over 200 warrants of pensions, to be paid out of the exchequer to Jewish converts residing there, for various years from the date of the Jews' expulsion till the sixth year of James I.'s reign (1608), are still preserved at the Record Office, and that references to the house and its tenants are scattered—thinly, it is true—over the State Papers of the seventeenth century.

Papers of the seventeenth century.

Notices of Jews, many of which bear all the appearance of referring to Jewish contemporaries in England, frequently occur in the literature of Elizabeth's and James' reigns. Several plays down to 1640 have Jewish heroes; and very few of the dramas of the day are without some reference to the Jews. In Webster's "Vittoria Corombona," for instance, Flamineo, after expressing a desire to turn Jew, complains that "there are not Jews enough, . . . for, if there were Jews enough, so many Christians would not turn usurers;" and numberless other instances could be quoted. A rare pamphlet, dated about 1640, and privately reprinted by

Mr. Halliwell-Phillipps, says:—"A store of Jewes we have in Englande; a few in court; many i' th' Citty & more in the countrey." From the opening of the seventeenth century, the prospects of the Jews as a nation were hotly discussed in the press. In 1621, Laud charged Finch before the High Commission Court with publishing a book on the subject of too Judaical a tone, and caused him to be imprisoned.

I have already trespassed too far on your space, but might I, in conclusion, ask readers of the ACADEMY to aid me in completing my investigation by sending me any occasional notices of Jews in England with which they meet in the literary or historical records of the period between their formal expulsion in 1290 and their formal return about 1656-57?

S. L. LEE.

#### THE BASQUE VERB.

San Remo: March 10, 1882.

After reading the last discussions about the Basque language in these columns, one is tempted to ask if they are of any use. Basque students know each other's theories as a whole, and the reader who is not very familiar with Basque will not be much interested in these details, though incidentally essential questions are touched. It is a kind of skirmishing above the heads of the general readers, who may feel perhaps interested in the language, and whom it would be desirable to win to Basque studies; the impression on them will remain what it was—i.e., that Basque is a very intricate language. But this notion is utterly false; for this reason, a condensed "aperçu" of the verb may perhaps help to eradicate this generally accepted opinion.

Two great errors originating in a period when philological studies were unknown have thrown an immense confusion over the theories of the Basque verb: (1) That the auxiliary verbs differed in nature from other verbs; (2) That the auxiliary verbs had only a conventional meaning—in other words, that they had no meaning at all. This is just the reverse of what facts prove and of what logical induction might have led us to suppose before any proof was given. The auxiliaries are (1) exactly like the other verbs, and like those of other languages; and

(2) they have a meaning like any other verb.

The exploded theories of antiquated grammarians are still upheld, and the confusion is increased by the appearance of two new theories, according to which one auxiliary verb is explained as being a demonstrative pronoun, and the other as something metaphysical, which is not explained at all, or explained as the verb, the logos of Christian faith. This last theory being not in its place in a philological discussion, I do not more than point it out; the reader will see later on the value of the second one. According to the old theories, there are only two auxiliary verbs, "to have" and "to be;" and this distinction, though very rational, was corrected by later authors. Chaho and, in our days, M. Inchauspe consider "to have" as being a modification of "to be," or "to be" a modification of "to have;" the whole theory is so loose that I do not know how to put it. These unscientific dreams are often accepted as Gospel truths, because they are enunciated with a good deal of dogmatism and a certain permutation of vowels are talked of, as if anything was known about them when these theories were started. It is precisely the ignorance of the phonetic laws which makes these theories possible.

These two auxiliary was a started of the phonetic laws which makes theories possible. kind of scientific apparatus; phonetic laws and

These two auxiliary verbs, however, are not the only ones. In Basque, as in English, there are many more, some of them in use for the tenses ("to have," "to be"); some others for the moods ("can," "may," "must," &c.); and all

are conjugated after one and the same method, which is a very simple one. The root remains as it is; the pronoun indicates the person-something like I know, we know, you know, &c.
"I" is t, "thou" is k, "he" is always absent.
Let us take jakin ("to know"). We have thus dakit, dakik, daki ("I know it," "thou knowest ti," &c.). The initial d is the pronoun "it," d.aki-t ("I-know-it") reading from the end. This method is applied to all transitive verbs. Egin ("to do") gives dagit, dagik, dagi, &c. ("I do," "thou dost," &c.); and in the same way iduki ("to hold") is conjugated dadukat, dadukak, daduka—i.e., d-iduk-t ("I-hold-it"). The kak, daduka—i.e., d-iduk-t ("I-hold-it"). The initial vowel becomes always a. Iduki, like the Spanish tener ("to hold"), is employed for "to have," and dadukat, which in some dialects loses its d and becomes daukat, loses, as an auxiliary, its k: daut, dauk, dau. Spanish tengo ("I hold") and Basque daut are thus tengo ("I hold") an identical expressions.

Another auxiliary is eroan, "to carry;" all the dialects have chosen it (except the Biscayan) when there is to be expressed what other languages call a dative (Basque has no cases); for instance: Thou hast (given) it to me. this case the verb is eman and the auxiliary daroudak—i.e., d-eroa-d-k; k is "thou;" d is "it." This daroadak becomes in some dialects darotak, or derotak, or drautak, &c. As these flections are in use, they are indisputable facts; and, as they are clearly derived from eroan, it is an error to think that they are variations of daut, "I have," kink that they are variations of daut, "I have, c., as Prince Bonaparte says: "En effet les draut, les drauk du N.T. ne sont que les daut, les dauk, etc., d'autres dialectes" (see "Remarques sur plusieurs Assertions de M. Hovelacque," London, p. 20). This observation is etymologically wrong; I think I have proved it; and it is wrong in point of syntax. Nowhere draut stands for daut; the flections from idult (daut stands for daut; the flections from iduki (daut, &c.) are always employed with one object only; the flections of *eroan* with object and dative.

Another entirely unknown auxiliary is ezan; it is, of course, conjugated like the others:

dazat, dazak, daza, &c. This verb is only known
as a compound of letters, in use for what
the old grammarians (and all the later ones the old grammarians (and all the later ones after them) called the subjunctive mood; but Basque, no more than English, knows of a subjunctive; ezan is employed like "may," and egin dezadan is "that I may do," and not French "que je fasse," Dezat is the first pers. sing. of the indic. pres., followed by n, "that;" and dezat-n is pronounced dezadan. The same ignorance prevails on the subject of edin, "can," auxiliary of the potential mood; but edin, like ezan, is a verb like the others; for instance, Guztia daian Janngoikoa, God who instance, Crizita action Janagoteca, Grow who can anything. Daian for dadian, from dadi, "he can," followed by the relative pronoun non, contracted in n, "who." Bekhatutan hil dadina, "he who dies in sin." There we have dadina, "he who dies in sin." There we have the purer form dadi + n + a, "he-that-can." Edin is often, in older Basque, as in this case, the auxiliary of the passive form instead of ian, "to be." The initial d is consequently not the object, "it," but the subject, "he." All these verbs, auxiliary and others, form their imperative mood in the same way; for instance, the second pers. sing. of jakin, "to know," imperative mood in the same way; for instance, the second pers. sing. of jakin, "to know," is jakik, "know thou;" of egin, "to do," agik, "do thou" (final n is always dropped); of ezan, "may," ezak, "may thou;" and of iduki, after having lost its d, eukak, and, after having lost its k, euk; and in some dialects auk, i.e., au + k, the verbal root followed by the pronoun. This is the reason why Licar-rague writes in his New Testament. Paul the pronoun. This is the reason why Licarrague writes in his New Testament, Paul, auc bihotz on, "Paul, have thou good heart." The demonstrative pronoun has nothing whatever to do with the imperative; want of critical analysis, combined with the accidental homophony of the demonstrative pronoun and the

imperative, have started this theory, which makes the Basques say, "Paul, this thou heart!" And consequently, if auk is "this thou," then daut, "I-have-it," signifies "I-this-it!"

In Prince Bonaparte's letter on this point (see Academy, February 11) there is not one argument to defend his thesis. What he appears to consider as such, No. 1, is not more than a statement, and No. 2 is an error; the direct regimen being always expressed in all active verbs by d-dagit, "I-do-it," as well daut, "I-have-it;" au explains here nothing, there is no au here.

The confusion about au is not an isolated fact; other verbal flections are considered as being a mere agglomeration of letters without any signification for themselves. M. Inchauspe says, "dadin, dezan, seuls pas de signification;" and Prince Bonaparte's notions about edin, "can," and also about *izan*, are of the same nature; as not one flection is analysed, he gives *liteke*, "he could," as a flection of *izan*, "to be;" but *liteke* for laiteke for laditeke from l-adi-te-ke, is the

third pers. sing. of the optative mood of edin.
Which of the two theories is absurd (the favourite adjective of Prince Bonaparte when he speaks of others), we leave to the decision of the readers of the ACADEMY.

W. VAN EYS.

#### APPOINTMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK.

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Monday, March 20, 5 p.m. London Institution: "Materials used for Paper," by Prof. R. Bendey.
7.30 p.m. Aristoteilan: Discussion, "Mind."
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7.30 p.m. Riducation: "When, and in what Order, should Subjects be Introduced?" by Mr. F. G. Fleay.
8 p.m. Victoria Institute: "Climate Influences as regards Organic Life," by Surg.-Gen. Gordon.
Tuesday, March 21, 3 p.m. Royal Institution: "The Mechanism of the Senses," X., by Prof. J. G. McKendrick.
7.45 p.m. Statistical: "Importand Export Statistics," by Mr. Robert Giffen.
8 p.m. Anthropological: "The Relation of Stone Circles to Outlying Stones or Tunuii on Neighbouring Hilis," by Mr. A. L. Lewis; "Excavations of Tunuii on the Brading Downs, Isle of Wight," by Mr. J. E. Prico and Mr. F. G. Hilton Price; "A Note on the Distribution and Varieties of a Padlock," by Mejor-Gen. Pitt-Rivers.
8 p.m. Oivil Engineers.
8 p.m. Zeteitcal: "Heredity as a Factor in Psychology and E-hics," by Mr. Sidney Webb.
8.30 p.m. Zoological: "Some Points in the Anatomy of Pterocles," by Dr. Hans Gadow; "A Peculiarity in the Traches of the Twelve-wired Bird of Paradise," by Mr. W. A. Forbes; "Lipotypes," by Mr. P. L. Solater.
Thuesday, March 23, 8 p.m. Royal Institution: "Resemblances of Sound, Light, and Heat," II., by Prof. Tyndsil.
8 p.m. Telegraph Kngineers: "The Development of a New Telephonic System," by Prof. A. E. Dolbear.
8 30 p.m. Antiquaries.
Funday, March 24, 7.80 p.m. Philological: "An Explanation of the Method of marking Pronunciation proposed for the Society's Dictionary," by Dr. J. A. H. Murray.
8 p.m. Royal Institution: "Electric Railways," by Prof. W. E. Ayrton
8 p.m. Punder of Marking Pronunciation proposed for the Society's Dictionary," by Dr. J. A. H. Murray.
8 p.m. Browning: "Childe Roland to the Dark Tower came," by the Rev. J. Kirkman.
8 p.m. Quekett: "Fishes' Tails," by Mr. E. T. Newton.

Savusday, March 25, 3 p.m. Royal Institution: "Volcanoes," I. L. Vy Prof. H. Q. Saeley.

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vuanar, March 25,3 p m. Royal Institution: "Velcances,"

II., by Prof. H. G. Seelev.

8 p.m. Physical: "The Effect of Temperature on the
Electrical Resistance of Mixtures of Sulphur and Carbon,"
by Mr. Sheiford Bidwell; "The Measurement of Curvature and Refractive Index," by Mr. C. Vernon Boys.

## SCIENCE.

Hayman's Odyssey. Vol. III. (David Nutt.) WITH this volume Dr. Hayman brings his great and learned edition of the Odyssey to a close. Vol. i. appeared in 1864, vol. ii. in 1873, so that no one can complain that the work is hasty or immature, so far as the rate of production can testify. A perusal of this closing volume will corroborate the presumption. On every page there is evidence of honest work, of careful and conscientious collation, of diligent cross-references, of honest and clear exegesis. No student can complain of finding difficulties overlooked; and the illustrations from modern poetry are often striking and instructive. So far, then, Dr. Hayman is a most intelligent and

Dr. Hayman has supplied the want of an English commentary on Homer's Odyssey, and his book will probably long remain the standard English authority on the subject.

But this would have been more decidedly the case had it been brought out in a somewhat cheaper form, and with more modern lights. Let us explain. The price of this last volume, by itself, is 24s .- a large sum for the student of v-w only to pay; for though the printing (by Teubner, of Leipzig) is excellent, and the facsimiles of MSS, inserted very interesting, economy is but too necessary for many of Homer's most deserving readers.

The ignoring of recent Homeric literature in this volume is still more serious. The author has a very smart (though uncomplimentary) motto on his title-page: αὐτὰρ έγω παρ νεσσιν ἀπότροπος, οὐδὲ πόλιν δὲ ἔρχομαι, which he weakens by renewed complaints in his Preface concerning his Rugby affairs (Pref. x., xi.). But these serve him in apologising for certain incompletenesses of collation, which no one would have noticed. and lead the reader to consider whether the leisure of a country living has not some counterbalancing advantages. The headmaster of a great school might surely claim even greater consideration. Still more, one is tempted to see whether the easily accessible books have been acquired and utilised by an editor who had certainly ample leisure for study. Now, although the older editions and scholia are thoroughly mastered, and the minute errors in La Roche's recension curiously exposed (the editio princeps being, however, strangely dated 1480 (!) on the first page), we are astonished to see Crusius' Lexicon Homericum cited, and no mention whatever of the work of Ebeling! Stranger still, if possible, is the complete silence on all the recent Odyssean criticism in Germany, Kirchhoff, for example, being totally ignored. This is another example of what I have elsewhere, in discussing this very question, called the national isolation in scholarship (Hist. Gk. Lit. i. 63), which seems to infect German work almost as much as English. Dr. Hayman gives us in this volume a new (and third) Preface of 150 pages, but it is almost all filled with a réchauffée of old articles refuting Mr. Paley's theory! When the second volume came out (1873), such a refutation was perhaps necessary, and was accordingly ably and fully supplied there. But why, in Heaven's name, are we to have the whole thing served up again now that the theory has been refuted over and over again, and does not count more than two converts? The refutation of Mr. Paley in this volume, as in the last, is indeed excellent, and no doubt it is a very satisfactory task to undertake. For, in the first place, Mr. Paley's temper is so good, and his calmness and gentleness so imperturbable, that he is the kindliest of adversaries. Secondly, his arguments are so bad that one can feel perfectly content with the answers which suggest themselves, and have the satisfaction of demolishing an elaborate theory.

But the students of the Odyssey in 1882 want something more. They want to know what recent criticism has done in explaining the structure and composition of the poem.

reasonable unitarian, and highly qualified to criticise the theories of Berk, Kammer, Kirchhoff, and the other Germans who have more or less disturbed the unity of authorship. But he has not deigned to study, or at least to mention, them. To judge from his silence as to the Abu-Simbel inscription, when treating of the age of writing, and his acquiescence in the now rejected hieroglyphic version of Achaean attacks on Egypt in the thirteenth century B.c., he has not provided himself with any philological journal which would have kept him acquainted with current criticism even in Lancashire. To those, however, if there be any, who desire further evidences of the real antiquity of the body of the Odyssey, his arguments against Mr. Paley, especially on linguistic grounds, are most convincing, and show a careful study, not only of the language of Homer, but of the other older poets. A perusal of Kirchhoff's Studien on the Greek alphabet renders all this kind of ingenuity subsidiary, if not otiose.

But all these criticisms only concern what Dr. Hayman might have done; what he has done, and chosen to do, is honestly and thoroughly done. And while neglecting the writers above named, it is fair to add in qualification that he has used the school commentaries of Faesi and of Ameis, embodying their best points in his notes. His careful statement of the action for each day will not, however, persuade sceptical readers that the plan of the poem is harmonious or undisturbed.

J. P. MAHAFFY.

#### OBITUARY.

SIR CHARLES WYVILLE THOMSON.

SIR CHARLES WYVILLE THOMSON, whose death on the 10th ult., at the early age of fifty-three, we have to record, was born at Boynside, Linlithgow. He began his medical training at Edinburgh University in 1845; and in 1850 held a lectureship on botany at King's College, Aberdeen, and subsequently at the Marischal College. His first published scientific paper appears to have been one on the application of photography to the compound microscope, which was read before the British Association in 1850. While at Aberdeen, he published papers on Zoophytes and Polyzoa. In 1853 he was appointed Professor of Botany and Zoology at Queen's College, Cork; and a year afterwards became Professor of Mineralogy and Geology at Belfast. While engaged at Belfast, he published his very important and well-known paper on the development of Comatula Rosacea. Society; and in 1870 was appointed to the Chair of Natural History in Edinburgh, in the place of Prof. Allman. The great work with which Sir Wyville's name will for ever remain connected, and for which he received the Copley Medal of the Royal Society, is that of deep-sea exploration. It cannot be denied that the illustrious discoveries made by England in this province of science originated with him. It was during a visit paid to him by Dr. Carpenter in 1868, with a view of discussing investigations which both naturalists were about to make on recent Crinoids—Sir Wyville on Sars Rhizocrinus and Dr. Carpenter on the first specimen of a West Indian Pentacrinus ever obtained with its soft structures well preserved—that the idea of s diciting the Government to provide the means of deep-sea research was formed, and the result was the expedition of H.M.S. Lightning in

August, 1868, with its important results, its revelation of a vast unexplored deep-sea fauna, and the general awakening of public interest on the subject. The Lightning expedition was followed in 1869 and 1870 by the two expeditions of H.M.S. Porcupine, in which Mr. Gwyn Jeffreys was associated with Sir Wyville and Dr. Carpenter. The Challenger expedition, the successful directorship of which constitutes Sir Wyville's most distinguished claim to the front rank among men of science, originated in a letter written by Dr. Carpenter to the First Lord of the Admiralty in the summer of 1871, for in consequence of a favourable reply to this letter a committee of the Royal Society was constituted to draw up a scheme of operations, and to make a formal application to the Government. In the end, Sir Wyville undertook the directorship of the civilian scientific staff of the ever-memorable Challenger expedition, and, having made arrangements for the carrying on of his teaching work during his absence, he remained on board at his post during the whole of the three years and a-half occupied by the voyage. His enthusiasm with regard to everything connected with the dredging, sounding, and various physical and chemical operations carried on in the deep sea during the cruise knew no bounds. He spent hours on deck watching them, and waiting for the dredge to come up, and though, as time wore on, the interest of the sea-men and naval officers in the arrival of the dredge or trawl at the surface failed, and that even of the remainder of the scientific staff flagged, he was never known to be absent at the moment it appeared at the ship's side, whatever the weather, but was to be seen peering down into the water, eagerly attempting to diagnose the contents of the net when it was still dipping in and out of the sea-surface as the ship rolled to and fro. When once it was on board, he would eagerly grope for treasures, squeezing each cephalopod between his fingers, always with a lurking hope to find a belemnite's bone in it, or expecting at last to grasp a trilobite. These never came, but there was an abundance of other wonders, the interest of most of which is only now becoming fully apparent as the various monographs composing the grand official work on the scientific results of the voyage, designed and edited by him, are issued by the Stationery Office. He had hoped to see the completion of this work, but he has gone when only three volumes have been published. His health on board the Challenger was not good. Before starting on the voyage he brought out his important work, The Depths of the Sea, and, after the return of the Challenger, his two well-known volumes on the Atlantic. He then busied himself with the pre-paration for the press of a narrative of the voyage, to appear in the official work, based on one drawn up by Staff-Commander Tizard, the senior navigating officer of the Challenger but he had a serious and alarming attack and it became apparent to his intimate friends that it could scarcely be hoped that he would do any more serious work. He seemed to be getting through the winter pretty well, and only three or four weeks before his death he was in communication with Mr. Herbert Carpenter about some Pentacrinus sections which he was cutting for him. He got severely chilled on a visit to Edinburgh about a fortnight ago, having remained a great deal in the open air, and had no strength to rally against tais and the complications which ensued. Sir Wyville was an excellent lecturer, a most genial companion, and an excellent host. He was fond of amusements of all kinds, and was never happier than when he went on shore from the Challenger in some out-of-the-way island, with his gun on his shoulder, in pursuit of birds of Paradise or other treasures

H. N. MOSELEY.

DR. JOHN MUIR.

THE death of Dr. John Muir will be felt by many who did not even enjoy his personal acquaintance. His help was ever ready to be extended to struggling scholars as well as struggling causes, though it was but rarely that the world heard of the unostentatious act of generosity. Sometimes even the recipient of the gift hardly knew whom he had to thank for it. To a wide and varied circle of friends Dr. Muir's loss will be still greater. who have enjoyed an evening at his house in Merchistoun Avenue, while his sister was still alive, will not readily forget the genial hospitality of the host, the pleasant and instructive conversation of which he was the centre, and the congenial circle of friends he gathered round him. Born at Glasgow in 1810, he went to Bengal in the service of the East India Company in 1828, and remained in India for twenty-five years. While there, he interested himself keenly in the moral and religious welfare of the natives, and for this purpose published in Sanskrit more than one work designed to convert the Hindus to Christianity. In pursuance of the same idea, he also offered a prize of £500 to the University of Cambridge for a treatise pointing out the errors of the various systems of Hindu ing out the errors of the various systems of Hindu philosophy, and setting forth the principles of Christianity in a form suitable to the attention of learned natives. Dr. Rowland Williams's well-known Dialogue of the Knowledge of the Supreme Lord was the result of this. Sub-sequently, Dr. Muir's own religious views underwent considerable modification, and he threw himself, with his accustomed energy and therew nimser, with his accustomed energy and thoroughness, into the study of the critical theologians of Germany and Holland. But it is as a Sauskrit scholar that he will be longest known and honoured. In this department of learning his chief work is his "Original San-skrit Texts on the Origin and History of the People of India, their Religion and Institutions, collected, translated, and illustrated, in five volumes." The work is indispensable for the student of ancient Hindu life and thought, dealing principally, as it does, with the Vedic period of Indian literature. The first volume discusses the legendary accounts of the origin of caste; the second, the primitive home of the Hindus; the third, the opinions of Hindu writers on the Vedas; the fourth, the contrast between Vedic and later Hindu theology; and the fifth, published in 1870, the cosmological and mythological conceptions of the Indians in the Vedic age. Of late years Dr. Muir has confined himself to printing, for private circula-tion among his friends, translations in verse of extracts from Hindu authors bearing upon moral and religious questions. His object in this, as he once told me, was "to supply illustrations, in however humble a way, for the student of the comparative science of religion." A. H. SAYCE.

PROF. STEPHAN BORN, of Basel, in an interesting obituary of his friend Prof. E. Desor, who died at Nice on February 24, states that he was a descendant of a member of the old Huguenot colony which settled at Friedrichsdorf, near Frankfurt. In 1811, the year of Desor's birth, the French language still retained its predominance in the family, the school, and the church. E. Desor passed from the local school to the Gymnasium at Hanau, and afterwards studied jurisprudence at the University of Giessen. In 1832 he went to Paris, and, under the influence of Elie de Beaumont, turned from law to geology. He contributed towards the cost of his education by translating Ritter's Erdkunde into French. Prof. Born observes that the international character of modern science was illustrated in Eduard Desor, who was French by ancestry, German by birth and culture, and Swiss by deliberate choice. He

went from Paris to Bern, where he lived with Prof. Vogt, and formed a close friendship with his eldest son, Karl Vogt, by whom he was introduced to Agassiz. It was under the direction and help of the latter that Desor began his geological Alpine journey, and his re-searches into the nature of the glaciers. After a journey to the Scandinavian "Alps," with a view to the observation of their erratic phenomena, he accompanied Agassiz in 1847 to North America, where he was employed in the coast survey. His discovery that Agassiz would not recognise him as an independent researcher, but chose to regard him simply as the pupil and assistant of earlier days, led to a separation between them. After fulfilling an appointment in the State of Pennsylvania as ological surveyor of the mineral districts and the primaeval forests, Desor returned to Switzerland in 1852, and settled in Neuchâtel. Four years later he inherited a considerable property through the death of his brother. His election to the Ständerath and Nationalrath interfered with his scientific labours, for he was an eager and prominent politician. While in America he had formed a close friendship with Theodore Parker, and he devoted himself with characteristic energy to the study of religious problems both abroad and in his native land. Prof. Born remarks that those to whom Eduard Desor was known as one of the greatest of Swiss scholars in geology and primitive culturehistory had little conception of the width and range of his pursuits. "To extend light in all directions," he observed, was the task of

#### NOTES OF TRAVEL.

M. CH. RUELENS, Keeper of the Royal Library at Brussels, has submitted to the Antwerp Geographical Congress a notice of a curious docu-ment preserved in the MS. Department in the shape of an autograph MS. volume, addressed in 1613 to Philip III., King of Spain and Portugal, by an official descobrisdor, and treating of the Malay Peninsula, Java, China, and the ancient geography of Asia, in which mention was also made of a Southern India, supposed to be Australia. This work bore the name of Emmanuel Godinho de Eredia. M. Léon Janssen has lately succeeded in reproducing the Portuguese MS., with facsimiles of its fifty-nine maps, plates, and drawings, and has added a French translation and notes. Only 120 copies of the work have been struck off, and, of these, only twenty-five were for sale. The work is entitled Malaca, l'Inde méridionale, et le Cathay, and has an Introduction by M. Ruelens. Among the curious illustrations in it are detailed maps of Malacca and its environs, of the Sunda Archipelago, and of the land which Godinho calls Southern India, supposed to be Northern Australia, topographical plans, portraits of several viceroys of the Indies, in addition to those of St. Francis Xavier and the author himself, drawings of natives, animals, &c.

THE King of Italy has lately presented a gold medal, accompanied by a complimentary letter, to Mdme. Carla Serena for her services to ethnography by the researches she made during her well-known travels in the Caucasus.

AT the last meeting of the Italian Geographical Society, Prof. F. Minutilli read a paper on Africa, considered from the points of view of science, civilisation, and commerce.

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During his recent journey in Abyssinia, M. Achille Raffray visited the town of Lalibéla, and spent a week there for the purpose of investigating and making drawings of its ten churches cut out of the living rock, from which they are separated by trenches. They were built, or rather cut out of the rock, about the begin-

ning of the fifth century by 400 or 500 workmen whom King Lalibéla had procured from Jerusalem and Alexandria. From an archaeological point, M. Raffray's discovery of these monolith churches, as he terms them, is considered most important, for previously there was only a rumour of the existence of such monuments. Before going to Lalibéla, M. Raffrav visited the lofty mountain plateaus on which are found the sources of the River Gulima, which, flowing to the east, sends its waters down to the deep depression of Lake Aussa, and of the Taccazé and the Tellaré, which eventually unite, and flow into the Nile. In the course of his travels, M. Raffray has also made some interesting discoveries in the departments of zoology and botany.

In consequence of Mirambo, the Wanyam-wezi chief, having seized all the roads through Unyanyembe, and thus prevented communication with the Belgian station on the eastern shore of Lake Tanganyika, an armed body of men is said to have been lately despatched by the Sultan of Zanzibar, with instructions to force their way to Karema, and ascertain the safety of M. Ranaeckers. Altogether, the position of affairs in East Central Africa is by no means satisfactory.

From the opposite side of Africa, the Rev. W. W. Bagster, of the American missionary expedition, writes that, in his opinion, their main station must be at Bailundo, fifty miles short of Bihé, and that from it they will be able to move on the country to the north and also to the north-west of Bihé, where the language is half Ganguela and half Ambunda, and afterwards into Ganguela and the region beyond. The expedition will thus traverse the highlands in perhaps their greatest length inland, and will be on the line of the densest population towards the centre of Africa. A not unimportant fact is that the Ganguela language would take them almost across the continent, as they would follow the trade of these people.

#### SCIENCE NOTES.

The Discovery of the Pouched Marmot in Pre-glacial Beds.—Near Mundesley, on the coast of Norfolk, there occurs a deposit called the "Arctic Freshwater Bed," discovered a short time ago by Mr. A. Nathorst. This formation is of considerable geological interest, inasmuch as it is supposed to offer the earliest indications of the advent of Arctic conditions in that area. Mr. Clement Reid, of the Geological Survey has obtained from this bed a few teeth and bones, which are the first vertebrate remains yet unearthed from the deposit. These remains have been studied by Mr. E. T. Newton, of the Museum of Practical Geology, who refers them to the pouched marmot (or Spermophilus), and has described and figured them in a recent number of the Geological Magazine. Remains of the Spermophilus of any age are so exceedingly rare in this country that the discovery is welcome to British geologists; but it is especially interesting as showing that the pouched marmot lived in East Anglia at the beginning of the Glacial period, and prior to the deposition of the Till, or Lower Boulder Clay.

An anthropological society has been founded at Brussels, M. Vanderkindere, Rector of the Free University, having been elected president.

#### PHILOLOGY NOTES.

AT the Philological Society's meeting on Friday, March 17, Dr. Murray explained the system on which he proposed to mark the pronunciation of words in the society's English Dictionary, and defended his plan, on practical grounds, against the objections of the strict phoneticians.

Mr. Karl Blind's essay on "New Finds in Shetlandic and Welsh Folk-Lore" will be concluded in the April number of the Gentleman's Magazine, when, besides a number of Sea-Sprite and Fish-Man tales recently discovered in South Wales, the Kymro-Silurian origin of the Welsh people and the question of the Fianna and other semi-mythical and historical invading races of Ireland will be touched upon.

THE Imperial Academy of Austria has just published at Vienna vol. v. of the "Corpus Scriptorum Ecclesiasticorum Latinorum," containing Orosius, edited by Prof. Zangemeister, head librarian of the University of Reidelberg. During the Middle Ages the History of Orosius was the favourite text-book. Its abridged translation into Anglo-Saxon, ascribed to Alfred the Great, is a proof of its popularity in Britain. It is noteworthy that no critical edition has yet proceeded from England. In 1738 the Dutohman Havercamp published the first fairly readable edition, and this edition has been reprinted since without any material deviations. Owing to the great popularity which Orosius enjoyed with the clergy, we possess a great number of MSS., and among them one as old as the sixth century, and one dating from the eighth. Prof. Zangemeister gives the readings of the MSS. deserving authority in a very full critical apparatus; and he also gives references to the writers used by Orosius, as well as to those who have quoted from him. The volume contains, in addition, the "Liber Apologeticus," a portion of which, written by St. Augustine himself, was in former editions included in the text of Orosius, and not marked as an interpolation. The value of this edition is greatly enhanced by five exhaustive Indexes.

Mr. W. A. CLOUSTON, of Glasgow, is about to reprint, by subscription, Sir William Ouseley's Persian text and English translation of the Bakhtyar-Nama; or, the Story of Prince Bakhtyar and the Ten Viziers, which was published in 1801, and has now become of great rarity. This new edition will be accompanied by an Introduction and notes, and the price to subscribers will be 6s. 6d.

Messrs. Williams and Norgate have published the fourth volume of Prof. Oldenberg's edition of the Pāli text of the Vinaya Pitaka.

The first part of Dr. Morris's edition, for the Pāli Text Society, of the Anguttara Nikāya, consisting of the Eka-nipāta and the Duka-nipāta, is now passing through the press.

PROF. HERMANN JACOBI, of Munich, is editing the Acaranga Sutra, one of the sacred books of the Jaius, for the Pali Text Society.

#### MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE,—(Thursday, March 2.)

SIR J. SIBBALD D. SCOTT, BART., in the Chair.—
Mr. Somers Clarke, jun., read a paper on the
remarkable sculptured font in the church of St.
Nicholas, Brighton, giving a careful description of
the subjects represented, and specially referring to
the scenes in the life of St. Nicholas.—Mr. E. T.
Newton read a paper on the discovery in 1879 of a
Romano-British cremation urn in Cheapside at a
depth of eighteen feet below the pavement.
Among other evidences of cremation were two
pieces of the humeri nearly surrounded by green
glass, which must have been in a state of partial
fusion when it became pressed round the bones.
—Mr. J. O. Scott exhibited a cast of the upper
portion of an effigy of a civilian from North Curry
church, and portions of delicate plaster figures of
cows and other animals found walled up in the
chancel of that church.—Mr. Micklethwaite was
disposed to think that these might be votive objects.
—Mr. A. E. Griffiths exhibited a fine example of a

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British urn, full of ashes and bones in an undisturbed state, found at Hampton Wick.—Mr. R. S. Ferguson sent three examples of funeral chalices and patens discovered in Cumberland, and contributed some notes upon these relics.—Mr. E. T. Newton laid before the meeting the urn and bones forming the subject of his paper.—Mr. J. A. Spurnel Bayley exhibited a collection of rubbings of brasses of ecclesiastics from Essex, which were commented upon by Mr. Micklethwaite.

PHILOLOGICAL SOCIETY. - (Friday, March 3.)

A. J. Ellis, Esq., President, in the Chair.—The paper read was "Old-English Contributions," by Mr. H. Sweet. The paper dealt chiefly with the influence of stress in Old-English sound-changes. Such forms as eam, heara, were explained as the unemphatic duplicates of the emphatic eam, heara, &c. Similarly, all was explained as the generalised weak form corresponding to the atrong call, even weak form corresponding to the atrong eall, even West-Saxon preserving unaccented a in such words as Oswold, hláford = hláf-word = -ward, where it was rounded by the w. Bint was shown to be the weak form corresponding to bindeð, and to have arisen from earlier bindit, which, again, is a modification of bindid, in accordance with the general law by which unaccented final d became t, as in sint, weor\u00e4mynt, &c. By Verner's law, these two forms point to an earlier distinction of accent, the same verb having the accent sometimes on the the same verb having the accent sometimes on the root, sometimes on the ending, the latter having been the emphatic form, and given rise to such forms as binde, the former having been unemphatic and produced bint, &c.

Anthropological Institute. - (Tuesday, March 7.)

MAJOR-GEN. PITT-RIVERS, President, in the Chair. Major-Gen. Pitt-Rivers, President, in the Chair.

—Mr. E. T. Newton exhibited a Romano-British burial urn, containing human bones, found in Cheapside, about eighteen feet below the footpath, in 1879. Two of the bones are encrusted by molten green glass.—Mr. E. H. Mann read the first part of a monograph on the aboriginal inhabitants of the Andaman Islands. Many points regarding the physical characteristics of these savages on which misapprehensions have hitherto existed were noticed. The latter portion of the paper was devoted to a description of the tribal paper was devoted to a description of the tribal communities and the peculiarities connected with the subdivision of the same among inland and coast men; and reference was made to the system of rule and the power of the chiefs, and various details connected with manners and customs were illustrated. — Dr. J. G. Garson exhibited an Andamanese skeleton, recently presented to the Royal College of Surgeons by Mr. W. Beatson, of the Bengal Medical Service.

## FINE ART.

Geschichte der griechischen Plastik. Von J. Overbeck. Dritter Halbband. (Leipzig: J. C. Hinrichs.)

THE lapse of ten years or more which has called into existence a third edition of Overbeck's Greek Sculpture has at the same time brought to light a mass of new material to alter old opinions. It is characteristic of Prof. Overbeck that almost nothing that is new escapes him, whether it be sculptures recovered by excavation, or conclusions arrived at by fresh trains of argument. In the present edition, however, it is more with newly found sculptures that he has to deal. We have already had the figures from the Temple of Zeus at Olympia and the statue of Nike to serve as a basis for our knowledge of Alkamenes and Paeonios. Now we have the Hermes as a standard by which to measure the style of Praxiteles, if not to show the splendour he had attained in other works with which the ancients were more familiar. Since the days of the Apollo Belvidere no statue has occupied so much of sit in with the character of Scopas. Even the

public attention as the Hermes. There is no charm it has not been found to possess if we could really admit as charms qualities that belong to effeminacy. In this respect Prof. Overbeck is guiltless. He, in fact, bestows a little space on playful excerpts about the subject. The main question for the moment is how to restore the statue, and on this we get no very decided opinion. From analogy it is admitted that Hermes might very well have held up in his right hand a bunch of grapes to tempt the young Dionysos. The action of the child would then be to reach forward towards the grapes with his left hand, and to steady himself with his right, resting on the shoulder of Hermes. But it is objected that in such circumstances Hermes would necessarily be looking direct at the child. This, however, is not the case. His look is, in fact, fixed between it and the object in his right hand; and in a restoration lately made in this country the interpretation which has been adopted is that Hermes was represented in a moment of divided attention, such as may be seen any day under similar circumstances. He tries to look at once at the grapes and the infant Dionysos. Overbeck takes it for granted that Hermes had originally a metal wreath on his head; and there are certainly several small holes which might well be explained as having been meant for the attachment of a wreath. But the author does not suggest what the wreath had represented-whether vine or ivy, to suit the character of Dionysos, or simply laurel, to give dignity to Hermes himself. The hair is roughly treated, producing an effect of con-trast with the finely modelled face, which it bounds and defines very decisively over the forehead and temples.

For the Aphrodite at Knidos, Overbeck accepts the type on the coins of that town, confirmed by existing statues in marble. As Michaelis showed, the goddess stands holding with her left hand, which is extended sidewards, the end of a piece of drapery as if just on the point of letting it fall altogether. Among the known statues of this type there is none of extraordinary merit. We want to see one from the hand of a Greek, if not from that of Praxiteles himself. There is in the British Museum a now famous bronze head of, I believe, Aphrodite. With it was found a hand holding the end of a piece of drapery. Both head and hand clearly belong to the same statue; and, if they are compared with the acknowledged copies of the Aphrodite at Knidos, they will be seen to agree distinctly in action, while, to a great extent, the type of face is the same. The statue had been of colossal size, and must have been the work of a master in the art of sculpture. So that Engelmann (Arch. Zeit., 1878, p. 150) was amply justified in treating it as possibly a work of Praxiteles himself, rendering in bronze, with perhaps no great variation, the ideal of Aphrodite which he made for Knidos. It was, in fact, a happy thought of Engelmann to point this out, and it is particularly strange that Overbeck should ignore it.

The sculptures obtained in the excavations at Ephesus occupy considerable space in this new edition. Not that there is anything much to be made of them. They cannot be made to

best piece among them does not meet with much approval. As to Scopas, nothing certain has been found in recent years except the fragments at Tegea, where he built and adorned the temple of Athena Alea. There can hardly be a doubt of these remains being from his hand, and it is a matter of regret that they have not yet been published in any form which would make them intelligible. As regards the Attic school of this period, it is another source of regret that Prof. Overbeck has not given a series of illustrations from the statues and reliefs of the Nereid monument, as it is called. It is clear that in many respects he appreciates them highly. They have been well published by Michaelis in the *Monumenti* of the Institute at Rome, but they deserve to be known far beyond the circle of those who have access to that work.

It might be said that the demand for a third edition is, in itself, a sufficient recommendation of Overbeck's History of Greek Sculpture. But, while general utility might bring about this result, we may be allowed to say here that it is also a work possessed of qualities which render it indispensable to students occupied with minute enquiries into the history of Greek art. A. S. MURRAY.

#### MR. COX'S EXHIBITION.

The Conduit Street Galleries have not often been so well filled as by the pictures of de-ceased masters of the British school which Mr. Cox has withdrawn from his stores of works of art. They comprise several works of import-ance—Turner's early "Battle of the Nile" (129), for instance, formerly in the possession of Mr. Woolner, which was exhibited in 1799, a very astonishing work for a man of four-andtwenty. In loveliness nothing here equals Etty's "Bather" (45), from the Gillott collection. It was by pure accident, as we learn from Mr. Cox, that Etty obtained the exquisite model; and mindful of his pictures from the "Coral Finders" to "Joan of Arc," and of the many fine studies of female figures now hanging on the same walls as "The Bather," we are struck with the potency of chance on painters so highly gifted, but so little imagina-tive, as Etty. By sheer industry, by skill in painting, and sense of colour and harmony of line, he attained fame; but how much more swiftly would he have acquired, how much more surely retained, it, if he had painted this woman as often as Romney painted Emma Lyon! He could not select beauty; and a highly refined type seems to have come in his

way once only.

Another picture of importance is Sir Edwin
Landseer's "Savage Lion" (254)—said to be
the "Sir William Wallace" of Exeter Change the "Sir William Wallace" of Exeter Change— painted in all the strength and seriousness of the artist's youth. These early studies of Landseer are often grand; and this is one of the grandest of them. No one, except Rubens, painted lions so well. Our national collections contain many fine examples of his later "wins." but we have no specimen of the later "veins," but we have no specimen of the unique and splendid genius of Landseer's wild youth, untamed by society, unsophisticated by sentiment. The young Landseer was not so poetical as the old, and we have no reason to regret that the painter of "Nero" and "Sir William Wallace" developed into the Landseer of "Night" and "Morning;" but both were great, and we should like this magnificent brute hung in the same room with "Suspense" and in the same room with "Suspense"
"Alexander and Diogenes."

Mr. Cox has, and has long had, another picture which, though scarcely important, is

nationally! very interesting. It is called "Sir James Thornhill's Academy" (191), and at-tributed to Hogarth. We have good reason for doubting both the title and the ascription, and still better reason for our conviction that both cannot be correct. If it be "Sir James Thornhill's Academy," it is very un-likely to have been painted by Hogarth, as that academy was probably closed before Hogarth had attained sufficient skill as a painter to execute this work. It more probably represents the academy in St. Peter's Court, St. Martin's Lane, set up by Hogarth himself after his father-in-law's death. But, all doubts apart, it is a clever picture in Hogarth's style, representing one of the earliest of those drawingschools in London which preceded the establishment of the Royal Academy.

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Of the numerous portraits here by Reynolds and Gainsborough we have no space to give a detailed notice. Though others by the former artist, such as that of "Horace Walpole," may have greater interest, there is none to compare in vigour of design with the masterly head of "Lord Lifford," Lord High Chancellor of Ireland (28). In the same way the portrait of "Abel," musician to H.R.H. the Princess Charlotte (180), seems to us the finest Gainsborough, although those of "George III.," "Garrick," and "Sterne" have more historic attraction.

The strength of the exhibition—with the foregoing exceptions, a very clever scene from Tristram Shandy by Philip Reinagle (25), and three of Poole's grandest compositions—lies in the landscapes. Of Wilson there are several the landscapes. Of Wilson there are several small specimens of a high quality. Turner is represented by a few unimportant examples besides that already mentioned; Muller, by one large and grand work; and there is a great gathering of the works of William Linton, including a fine moonlight scene. More interesting than these are some examples of Gainsborough, including his "Broken Egg" (24), a replica of "The Market Cart" (6), and a beautiful little picture called "Studious and Idle Boys" (116). The Norwich school is very well represented. By "old Crome" there are well represented. By "old Crome" there are twenty-seven pictures. One, a "View near Bury St. Edmunds" (4), is a fine and curious early work; most of the others, views on the shores and in the lanes of Norfolk, are in his more mature style, mellow and rich in colour, and "racy of the soil." Of Ladbrooke, his brother-in-law, there is a fair example, by Stannard two and by Stark one, which call for no particular notice. It is different with the Vincents and the Cotmans. By the former there vincents and the Cotmans. By the former there is a large view of the Thames from the Surrey side of Waterloo Bridge, painted in 1820 (98), and a "Landscape with Cattle" (115), one of the most charming of the small landscapes in this collection. Of Cotman, who, if he could not beat Crome in his own line, was a far more original and versatile genus, there far more original and versatile genius, there are several works of great beauty. The most perfect in tone and the simplest in design is Wherries on the Yar" (103). It is admirable in colour, with its gold-bronze sails against the soft gray sky of its low white clouds, and rich harmonies of sombre browns and greens in hall and water. Not less noble and simple in colour and design is the view of "Merton Hall, near Norwich" (32), with its excellent groups of figures, slight in execution, but solid in effect. Fineness of finish and boldness in colour are the characteristics of another scene by the same hand (106), in which a gravelly road dips from the foreground to travel through an undulating country to the sea-shore. In the distance are pinky banks of clouds on a primrose sky, cut off by a brilliant band of blue sea; these are separated by brown-green woods and helese from the bright almost green woods and hedges from the bright, almost

grass-land in shade. Almost equally to be admired is another scene on the Norfolk

coast (95).

Of James Ward the collection contains several capital works, including a fine sketch for his gigantic Derbyshire landscape now in the gigantic Derbyshire landscape now in the National Gallery (242); and we must not conclude this imperfect account of an interesting collection without mentioning Romney's very sweet portrait of "Mrs. Camden" (85), or a beautiful landscape by Richard Westall—"Twilight" (109), one of the most "unexpected" sights in the gallery. Cosmo Monkhouse.

#### ARCHAEOLOGICAL NOTES ON THE TERRA D' OTRANTO.

THE chief object of my second visit to Southern Italy was to study the ancient topography and historical monuments of the province of Lecce or Terra d' Otranto. This province, known in antiquity under the name of Calabria— which was transferred in the Middle Ages to an altogether different country—comprises the territories of the Messapians, Iapygians, and Salentini. From the archaeological point of view, it constitutes a very clearly defined district, the monuments of which possess highly original characteristics of their own, wholly distinct from those of the monuments of Apulia, although the latter borders upon it, and was in-habited by populations of identical race and language, but much more completely Hellenised in manners.

To the antiquaries of England and France, and even of other parts of Italy, the Terra d' Otranto is practically a terra incognita. It is almost wholly unvisited, and scholars have but very imperfect ideas of the archaeological wealth which it contains. This state of things is rendered more remarkable by the fact that the inhabitants cannot be reproached with indifference to their country's antiquities. There are few places in the province where there are not one or more amateurs who superintend the local archaeological "finds," collect and preserve them with due care, or even devote their time and energies, more or less successfully, to their study and interpretation. There are several private collections in the district, the most important of which are those of Signor L. de Simone, at Villa Sant' Antonio, near Lecce (containing the most extensive series yet brought together of Messapic inscriptions); of Signor Nerregna, German consul at Brindisi (consisting principally of medals and painted vases); and of Signora Scarli-Colucci at Fasano (composed wholly of objects from the ruins of Gnathia). The collection formed by Signor L. Maggiulii at Muro-Leccese has been generously presented by its proprietor to the Museum of Lecce, in which he still continues to deposit objects dug up year by year from the ruins of the ancient city, the name of which is still unknown, but which has been succeeded by the village of which Signor Maggiulli is syndic. The cities of Brindisi and Taranto, and even the little town of Ostuni, have established in their public buildings the nucleus of a museum of inscriptions which will be developed by further discoveries; to the municipal libraries of Oria and Gallipoli, founded by bequests from private individuals, small archaeological collections are attached which already contain various objects deserving of attention.

But at Lecce especially the Archaeological Commission of the Terra d'Otranto has formed, in the last few years, a collection which is, unfortunately, stowed away in a very insufficient room at the prefect's residence, but which even now deserves to take high metallic green of fields of young corn, and rank among the most important museums of these are contrasted with the blue-green of Italy. Everything, indeed, in this museum is rank among the most important museums of

not of equal interest; a sufficiently searching criticism has not always been employed in the acquisition of the monuments which it contains, and it will be necessary later on to eliminate a certain number of obvious forgeries. But even with these weak points, which are, after all, but few, the collection is highly valuable and interesting. The series of vases and of terracottas are particularly magnificent; among the bronzes and engraved stones there are likewise some first class specimens; and, finally, the medals, which were without exception found in the country, are well classified and numerous. This last, however, is probably the department in which there will be most forgeries to be thrown out whenever the final revision of the collection takes place.

Justice, then, should be done to the generous efforts of the antiquaries of Lecce. They have efforts of the antiquaries of Lecce. They have done, and are doing day by day, all that is in their power to preserve, collect, describe, and classify the monuments of their province; and it is earnestly to be desired that the same should be done in every province of Italy. archaeologist who visits the Terra d' Otranto does not find himself, as he might imagine beforehand, in a wild and unexplored country. Even in the smallest towns he is tempted to say, like the Greek shipwrecked mariner who espied geometrical figures drawn on the sand of the shore on which he had been cast up by the sea: "Courage! I see traces of men." Nor is it only vestiges of the dead past that will meet him; he will find himself among living scholars who will receive him with the most gracious and thoughtful hospitality; who will put them-selves at his disposal so absolutely as even to embarrass him by that refinement of kindliness which the Greeks so well called φιλοξενία; who will vie with one another in doing him the honours of the country; who will escort him with delight to all that he has to see because they know it beforehand. In a word, he will everywhere find abundant preparations for his task; and all he has to do is to entrust himself to their conduct in order to gather in, even in a hurried tour, a rich harvest of facts and observations which he has merely to contrast and to combine.

#### MEGALITHIC MONUMENTS.

One of the points which most strangely dis-tinguish the Terra d'Otranto from the other parts of the mainland of Italy is the great number of megalithic monuments, or, at least, of a certain class of such antiquities. I allude to the species of menhirs which present most analogy to the Stantare of Corsica and the pedras fittas or pedras longas of Sardinia, and which are called by the inhabitants of the country pietre fitte or Sanna. Native archaeologists have noted their existence at Muro-Leccese, on the road from Lecce to Merine, as well as near Carpignano, Corigliano d' Otranto, Santa Lucia in Martano, and Palazzano, a few miles from Taranto. In the course of my own tour, I observed others near Giurdignano; near Sopersano, between Maglie and Ruffano; near Ruffano itself; close to the Specchia di Santa-Teresa, on the high downs above Ruffano; and, lastly, as you enter the village of Patù, near the Capo di Leuca.

It is noteworthy that no monument of this class exists in the districts of Fasano, Ceglie, Oria, and Brindisi. With the exception of that of Palazzano, which is in the circondario of Taranto, they are entirely confined to the extremity of the Iapygian peninsula, beyond a line drawn from sea to sea, between Lecce and

Gallipoli.

The pietra fitta near the Specchia di Santa-Teresa is the only one which presents to a certain extent the shapeless aspect characteristic of our menhirs. All the rest have the appearance of long beams of stone, narrow and less thick than they are wide, squared with a certain

amount of care, and hewn on the precise spot on which they stand from the banks of soft white limestone flush with the surface of the soil. They are fixed at the lower extremity into a socket formed at the surface of these same banks of stone. In some cases the original builders so arranged that the natural rock in which they were planted should form a kind of square pedestal, roughly shaped by the hand of man.

If the pietre fitte of the territory of Otranto must necessarily be compared with the menhirs of Western Europe, although denoting a more advanced stage of industry in their execution, the same province—so far, at least, as I am aware—contains nothing similar to the dolmens and covered ways. But it is probably allowable to classify with the megaliths, though it is obviously of natural origin, the remarkable rocking stone of the neighbouring village of Giuggianello. This is a block of limestone in the shape of an oval lens, measuring 15 60 metres in circuit, 5 70 metres at its greatest diameter and 2.85 metres at its smallest, and 2.30 mètres at its greatest thickness. With the point of rock which holds it in equilibrium, it presents very much the appearance of a mushroom on its stalk, and a very gentle touch is enough to set it in motion. This stone is called "La furticiddhu de la vecchia de la Manni," and it is invested with a sacred character in the eyes of the peasants of the neighbourhood, who perform pilgrimages to it. But what gives it a peculiar interest from the archaeological point of view is that, as recognised by Signor L. de Simone, who was the first to call attention to it, it is scarcely possible to doubt that it is alluded to in a passage of the treatise περί θαυμασίων ἀκουσμάτων, falsely attributed to Aristotle. This runs as follows:—

"In the remotest part of Iapygia there is a stone so huge that it would be almost impossible to carry it away on a chariot. But Herakles raised it without an effort, and threw it behind him; and it so poised itself that it can be moved merely by touching it with the finger."

FRANÇOIS LENORMANT.

NOTES ON ART AND ARCHAEOLOGY.

WE understand that de Neuville's great picture "The Cemetery of St. Privat" will be exhibited during the coming season by Messrs. Dowdeswell at their gallery in New Bond Street. The incident represented is the last desperate resistance made on August 18, 1870, in the churchyard of St. Privat by the French, consisting of the 9th battalion of Chasseurs and the 4th, 10th, and 12th regiments of the Line—who were left in the burning village to cover the retreat of Marshal Canrobert—against the Royal Prussian Guard, the Prussian Corps, and the Saxon Corps. Overpowered by the numbers which poured through every inlet into the churchyard, the last of the French, defending their ground inch by inch, were either killed or taken prisoners.

THE Queen, before her departure for Mentone, acknowledged in a gracefully worded letter the pleasure it has given her to receive a special large-paper copy of Mr. Tuer's Bartolozzi and his Works.

A COLLECTION of original drawings, made for Dalziels' Bible Gallery, is now on view at the Fine Art Society's Rooms, in New Bond Street. There are nine works by Sir F. Leighton, three by Mr. G. F. Watts, eleven by Mr. E. J. Poynter, and works by Messrs. Holman Hunt, E. Armitage, F. Madox Brown, F. Sandys, F. R. Pickersgill, and other artists of distinction. Some of the works have a special interest from the fact that they are drawn on wood.

THE building which has been erected by Miss Marianne North just inside the northern entrance of Kew Gardens is fast approaching completion, and will be opened to the public on May 15. The structure (from a design by Mr. J. Fergusson) is externally very simple, and is surrounded by a verandah, under which seats are placed for the convenience of visitors. gallery within is finely proportioned and well lighted, and the walls are surrounded by a dado of wood-panelling, every panel being a specimen of the choicest wood of one or other of the tropical countries, the scenery and vegetation of which are represented in the paintings with which the walls are lined. These beautiful and instructive oil studies, some 1,200 or 1,500 in number, represent the labour of eight or ten years, and were all painted from nature by Miss North in Brazil, Japan, Borneo, Java, the West India Islands, Australia, New Zealand, India, Ceylon, &c., &c. The whole of this precious and original collection will, on May 15, be presented to the nation by Miss North, together with the building which she has erected at her own expense to contain them.

M. ODILON REDON, the exhibition of whose sketches at the office of Le Gaulois is now creating a great sensation, has published (Paris: G. Fischbacher) a collection of lithographic designs inscribed to Edgar Allan Poe. A French critic, reviewing M. Redon's work, has truly characterised this artist by saying that to him, more suitably even than to Beaudelaire, might be applied Victor Hugo's apophthegm, that he has created un frisson nouveau. The originality and power of the sketches gathered into this album cannot be gainsaid; they are replete with imagination; but they lack the element which is the soul of art—beauty. Lord Verulam's dictum, that there is no beauty without strangeness in its proportions, would appear to have become distorted in M. Redon's eyes into—strangeness only is beautiful. Despite their intensely horrible grotesqueness, they possess a weird fascination, nor, once examined, will they be readily forgotten.

A SECOND edition of Leonardo da Vinci's Treatise on Painting, from the well-known old MS. in the Vatican Library, has just been published by the German painter, Herr Heinrich Ludwig. The first edition (which is very inaccurate) was edited by Manzi in 1817. In Herr Ludwig's new edition the Italian text is accompanied by a German translation, and by an extensive commentary, which, however, does not refer to the striking differences between the MS. in the Vatican and the still existing MSS. in Leonardo's own handwriting.

WE are to have another book about Millet. M. Amiot, of Cherbourg, has collected photographs of all Millet's early works (mostly portraits) which he could find in the neighbourhood, and proposes to publish them with such information as he can gather about the artist's early life and struggles.

The appearance of Mr. Hamerton's splendid new volume on The Graphic Arts (Seeley) is in every way worthy of its subject, the author, and the publisher. The greatest care has evidently been taken with the illustrations, which are exquisitely printed, most of them from plates produced with the assistance of photography, by one or other of the new "processes." Excellent are the imitations of charcoal designs by Messrs. Goupil, of woodcuts by Messrs. A. and W. Dawson, and of etchings by M. Armand Durand, but perhaps the most wonderful facsimile of all is that of a lead-pencil drawing by Turner, executed by M. Dujardin.

M. CAMILLE LECUYER, whose magnificent collection of Greek pottery formed one of the attractions at the Trocadéro in 1878, has begun

the publication of a series of portfolios illustrating the choicest specimens. The first of these (Paris: Rollin and Feuardent) contains twentyone plates, with descriptive text by MM. de Witte, Fr. Lenormant, and others. The price is thirty francs.

M. VACQUIER, the architect recently charged by the municipality of Paris with the duty of supervising all demolition and digging from an archaeological point of view, has justified his office by finding and preserving an old Roman bas-relief near the Boulevard Saint-Marcel. Unfortunately, the inscription has been obliterated. Similar remains have been found on the site of the Roman road which passed right through the cité, or ile de France.

A LITTLE pamphlet has been published at Liege by M. A. de Ceuleneer upon the ancient Christian tomb discovered near Tongres in January of last year. The tomb is a double one, constructed for the most part of bricks. Some bones, gold and glass beads, and the remains of other ornaments were found inside. But the main interest of the discovery lies in traces of fresco painting, and of an inscription, which can be seen on the partition wall. M. de Ceuleneer is disposed to assign the date to the beginning of the fourth century, before the Teutonic invasions.

IT is stated that Dr. Isidoro Falchi, inspector of excavations for the Campiglia Marittima, has discovered, on the hill of Colonna, the site of an ancient city, which he identifies, on the evidence of some coins and other relics, as that of Vetulonia, an important city of Etruria.

THE Revue critique states that a Catalogue of the objects preserved in the Tchinili-Kiosk Museum of Antiquities at Constantinople has been prepared by a student at the Ecole française of Athens, and will shortly be published. The collection in question has been arranged by Hamdi-Bey, who is Director of the Turkish School of Fine Art.

#### THE STAGE.

"ROMEO AND JULIET" AT THE LYCEUM THEATRE.

EVEN if the production of "Romeo and Juliet" should add little to the reputation of Mr. Irving as an actor—a point as to which, notwithstanding some disadvantages on the actor's part, I am considerably doubtful—it will be found to have afforded another instance of his sagacity as a manager. There was an old-fashioned idea that in many of the arts a high standard of taste was sure to be costly to its possessor; there was an impression, even until quite lately, that an insensibility nearly as strongly marked as the insensibility of the general public was a quality indispensable for the man who would cater for the public wants. But this some-what cynical belief has of late suffered certain rude shocks. In journalism the sensational leader, in picture dealing the profuse recommendation of tawdry and impudent design, and in theatrical management the proved capacity to out-do your professional brother in the depths of an ungainly realism have, in conspicuous instances, failed of the success that has somehow come to those caterers for the world who have known how to be a little in advance of the world, and who have dared as public persons to exercise the taste which they possess in private. In a word, it is beginning sometimes to be successful to look at your enterprise-whatever your enterprise may be-from a high and liberal standpoint. The intelligent newspaper manager of the day presses literature into journalism; the intelligent picture dealer ceases to recom-mend the vulgar and commonplace—nay, very possibly prides himself a little too much on his appreciation of the eccentric and his insight into the odd; and the intelligent director of theatres brings general culture and artistic taste to bear upon matters from which a dozen years ago culture and taste were generally divorced. One of the pleasantest things to remember in connexion with this Lyceum revival of "Romeo and Juliet" will be the evidence it has afforded of the employment of knowledge, skill, and

artistic sensibility. No single performance in "Romeo and Juliet" can be selected as a great piece of acting, though there are many good bits; but the ensemble is excellent. The hero and heroine, the pair of star-crossed lovers, play their part in the midst of the broils of two great families and of the splendour and gaiety of Italian life-a life still not devoid of just those sudden contrasts of fortune which it is the habit to associate more particularly with the conditions of modern existence. Perfection of accessory, an unremitted beauty of scenic effect, have been attained. Not only money, but high taste and the thoughts of instructed people, have been lavished on the surroundings of the persons of the drama. In itself, this is obviously to be praised—it is to be recognised with cordiality. I think, nevertheless, that the degree to which the elaboration of the setting has been carried weakens rather than strengthens the illusion which the play should produce. It is an instance of true commercial, as well as general, intelligence: the scenery and appointments are such that they would draw the public for several months even if the Romeo and the Juliet were little short of ludicrous, or if, with a tolerable hero and heroine, the cast were generally weak. But neither of these things happens. The most popular actor and one of the most popular actresses of the day are in the leading parts -they have their shortcomings, as we shall immediately hint, but they are too skilful to be ludicrous; the general cast, instead of being weak, is, save in one or two cases, almost as strong as it is nowadays possible to make it. But yet it is the scenery that dominates; the "warmth, life, and romance" are communicated, it may be, but in unaccustomed ways. When the visit has been paid, and this and that vision of

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#### "Fair Verona, where we lay our scene,"

has passed before the eye, what is it that the eye most retains and the mind most remembers? Is it-to put the thing in that interrogative form which commended itself particularly to Mr. Chadband in his discoursesis it the course of the story? Is it the personality of the lovers? Or, is it not rather this gesture of chivalry and that of grace, and the remembrance of moonlit gardens, of a street fight (organised by Angelo), of a dance performed exquisitely, and of a gathering crowd on the deep stairs of the Capulet's vault? And yet the acting is not insignificant. But—and here is the but she and her own dullish interests are

point we must needs insist upon-it would have taken not only genius, but faultless genius, to dominate over such surroundings. The surroundings are now and then a splendid encumbrance. The preparation of them involves long waits, in which the interest of the story must necessarily seem to wane. The presentation of them continually invites the attention to new beauties of detail, and the necessary business of the play suffers meanwhile. At least that is how I feel it—that there is a point beyond which scenic perfection only arouses a disturbing curiosity; people are intrigued to know what is the last thing ingenuity has devised. The profound impression created by Mr. Irving in Hamlet-I am not at all sure he would have created it had " Hamlet " been mounted with quite the magnificence of the present play.

There is little reason to find fault with Mr. Irving for not attempting to look like a smooth and comely lad. His judgment is displayed by his very avoidance of the effort. You must take a man as he is-the manliness and energy of early middle age must atone for the absence of a softer charm. Elaborate making-up will only make him look older, and, as in the case of Delaunay at the Français, you think a man really older than his years when you see him engaged in a fruitless design to compass the graces of adolescence. Mr. Irving's complete activity and alertness, his picturesqueness of aspect, and his continual intelligence of the character, do not allow him to be an absolutely ideal Romeo; but they allow him to be a Romeo of impulse, fire, and passion. And how about Juliet? Fire and passion are her requisites likewise—they are her requisites above all—and fire and passion are conspicuously missing in the Juliet of Miss Terry. In the balconyscene she is satisfactory; in the potion-scene and in the vault-scene she is inefficient; that is to say, the Juliet that she represents is fascinated, but not consumed. the ball-scene, the actress makes welcome display of all her familiar graces; in the balcony-scene, she is genuinely suggestiveher Juliet is under the necessary spell. No little art is shown in her winsomeness with the Nurse; and her single line of quiet reproach to the Nurse, later on, "You have comforted me marvellously," is said with a significance strongly marked, and a reality happily found. But the latest scenes are wanting in the imagination of tragedy. Nothing is called from out of the depths. The actress deals with tragedy like an eighteenth-century portrait-painter-like Romney, for instance. The first word is gracebut so is the last.

Of the remaining performances, that of the Nurse by Mrs. Stirling has been most praised. It is a remarkable character-picture; and, were it not for a certain under-lying coldness which I seem to trace always in Mrs. Stirling's emotion, it would be wholly delightful. The under-lying coldness may, I allow, in the present circumstance be exactly appropriate-it suggests well enough the unconscious selfishness of the old, in whom the sources of feeling run dry. The person here suggested is not bad-hearted, or without some moderate share of feeling for others;

the centre of the world, and to anything approaching a passion of affection she issimply inaccessible. Miss Louisa Payne's Lady Capulet is a sensible representation of a youthful matron—"much on your years," she says to Juliet, who was fourteen. years," she says to Juliet, who was fourteen, "was I a mother made": Lady Capulet is much younger than her lord. Miss Payne represents her elegance well, and also that polite indifference to her child which Shakspere, with prophetic eye, discerned in the typical woman of society. Mr. Terriss is a spirited and noisy Mercutio of the accepted fashion, delivering with only too much zeal to the audience, instead of to the stage, his speech about Queen Mab. The enthusiasm of his description carries people with him; but his own enthusiasm is in excess of his judgment. Mr. George Alexander is excellent as the Count Paris; and Mr. Mead is perfect as the Apothecary, the brief scene between this actor and Mr. Irving being one of the most telling and vivid in the play. I often like Mr. Howe, but I know no reason why Capulet should be suggestive of a strong English Conservative, deeply charged with the peculiar sacredness of vested interests.

FREDERICK WEDMORE.

#### MUSIC.

#### RECENT CONCERTS.

On Monday evening last week Mdme. Schumann made her first appearance at the Popular Concerts, and played Schumann's fantasia in C (op. 17), dedicated to Liszt. Mdme. Schumann's playing, whether from an intellectual or poetical point of view, has lost none of its power and charm; it is, of course, only natural that she should every year lose rather than gain in physical strength, but her store of vigour and energy is by no means exhausted, and she must still be regarded as one of the greatest of living players. The public applauded not only the player, but also the noble work which she chose for her début. It is one of Schumann's most elaborate compositions for the pianoforte, and a truly inspired work, not containing a single uninteresting bar from beginning to end. Schumann has prefixed to this fantasia a short motto from Schlegel, but we think his original idea was still more appropriate. The work was to be called "Obulus," and the three movements were to be named respectively "Ruinen" (Ruine), "Triumphbogen" (Triumphal Arch), and "Sternenkranz" (Crown of Stars). Perhaps from a feeling of modesty, Mdme. Schumann hes hitherts refrigined from playing resurverse. has hitherto refrained from playing very much of her husband's music; but, as Robert Schumann is now universally appreciated and admired, and as Mdme. Schumann stands unrivalled as an exponent of his works, we hope that this season she will not fail to draw largely from that source. If she should give a pianoforte recital, why should it not be a Schumann recital? The programme included Beethoven's quartett in E minor (op. 59, No. 2), magnificently played by Herren Joachim, Ries, and Straus, and Signor Piatti.

Last Saturday afternoon Mdme. Schumann made her second appearance at St. James's Hall, and gave a most impressive rendering of Beethoven's sonata, "Les Adieux, l'Absence et le Retour." Max Bruch's Hebrew melody, "Kol Nidrei," played a short time ago, was also repeated, with the addition of the harp accompaniment (Mr. Putman). We think the organ might also have been employed as a substitute for the orchestral accompaniments.

On Monday evening Mdme. Schumann performed Beethoven's sonata in E flat (op. 27, No. 1). Her rather hurried tempo of the andante movement was certainly open to exception. A very interesting feature, however, of the programme was the first performance at these concerts of Schumann's Fantasic stücke (op. 88) for piano, violin, and violoncello. The four movements of which this work is composed, although by no means elaborate, are full of grace and humour; the second and fourth (humoreske and finale) in particular are lively and characteristic.

At the third concert of the Philharmonic Society last Thursday, the programme contained no less than four novelties. Mr. F. Corder most satisfactorily conducted his concert-overture, "Ossian," originally intended as the prelude to a grand opera on the subject of "Fingal." His themes are somewhat peculiar, but are treated in a clear and skilful manner; and the orchestration is most effective. The next novelty produced, written for chorus and orchestra, was Brahms' cantata, "Nainie."

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